TOWN OF MAURY CITY, TENNESSEE

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Preface

This code is the result of a comprehensive codification and revision of the ordinances of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee. By referring to the historical citation appearing at the end of each section, the user will be able to ascertain the old code section or ordinance from which the particular section has been derived. The absence of a historical citation means that the section was added at the time this code was prepared. The word "modified" in the historical citation indicates substantial modification of the provision as originally enacted.

The attention of the user is directed to the arrangement of the code into titles, chapters, and sections. Related matter is kept together, so far as possible, within the same title. Each section number is complete within itself, containing the title number, the chapter number, and the section of the chapter of which it is a part. Specifically, the first number is the title number followed by a hyphen, then the chapter number with the last two numbers showing the section number within the chapter, so that, for example, title 10, chapter 2, section 6, is designated as section 10-206.

By utilizing the table of contents at the beginning of each title and chapter of the code, together with the cross references and explanations included as footnotes, the user should readily find all provisions in the code relating to any question that might arise.

The code has been arranged and prepared in loose-leaf form to facilitate keeping it up to date. MTAS will provide up-dating service under the following conditions:

1. All ordinances relating to subject treated in the code or which should be added to the code must be adopted as amending, adding, or deleting specific chapters or sections of the code (see section 8 of the adopting ordinance for the code).

2. One copy of each ordinance adopted by the city must be furnished to MTAS immediately after its adoption (see section 8 of the adopting ordinance).

3. The city will reimburse MTAS for the actual costs of reproducing replacement pages for the code (no charge is made for the consultant's work, and reproduction costs are usually nominal).

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procedure, an MTAS Ordinance Codification Consultant is available to the city for advice and assistance.

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TITLE 1

ADMINISTRATION, OFFICERS, AND PERSONNEL

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CHAPTER 1

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

SECTION

1-101. Time and place of regular meetings.
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1-101. Time and place of regular meetings. The board of mayor and aldermen shall hold regular monthly meetings at 7:30 p.m. on the last Monday of each month at the Gas Department Building.

1-102. Order of business. At each meeting of the board of mayor and aldermen, the following regular order of business shall be observed unless dispensed with by a majority vote of the members present:

(1) Call to order by the mayor.
(2) Roll call by the recorder.
(3) Reading of minutes of the previous meeting by the recorder and approval or correction.

\footnote{For other provisions relating to administration, officers, and personnel, see the charter and/or the appropriate related title in this code. For example, for provisions relating to the organization of the fire department, see title 7; for provisions relating to the administration of utilities, see title 13.}
(4) Communications from the mayor.
(5) Reports from committees, members of the board of mayor and aldermen, and other officers.
(6) Old business.
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(8) Grievances from citizens.
(9) Adjournment.

1-103. General rules of order. The rules of order and parliamentary procedure contained in Robert’s Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the transaction of business by and before the board of mayor and aldermen at its meetings in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with provisions of the charter or this code.
CHAPTER 2

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SECTION
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1-201. Generally supervises town's affairs. The mayor shall have general supervision of all municipal affairs and may require such reports from the officers and employees as he may reasonably deem necessary to carry out his executive responsibilities.

1-202. Executes town's contracts. The mayor shall execute all contracts as authorized by the board of mayor and aldermen.

1-203. To be bonded. The mayor shall post a bond in such sum may be fixed by the board of mayor and aldermen guaranteeing the faithful performance of his duties and the proper administration of all funds for which he is responsible. The bond shall be issued by a bonding or insurance company licensed to do business within the State of Tennessee. All costs of the bond shall be paid by the town. (as amended by ord. No. 10, sec. 1)
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1-301. To be bonded. The recorder shall post a bond in such sum may be fixed by the board of mayor and aldermen guaranteeing the faithful performance of his duties and the proper administration of all funds that come within his hands. The bond shall be issued by a bonding or insurance company licensed to do business within the State of Tennessee. All costs of the bond shall be paid by the town. (as amended by ord. No. 10, sec. 2)

1-302. To keep minutes, etc. The recorder shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the board of mayor and aldermen and shall preserve the original copy of all ordinances in a separate ordinance book.

1-303. To perform general administrative duties, etc. The recorder shall perform all administrative duties for the board of mayor and aldermen and for the town which are not assigned by the charter, this code, or the board of mayor and aldermen to another corporate officer. He shall also have custody of and be responsible for maintaining all corporate bonds, records, and papers in such fireproof vault or safe as the town shall provide.
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1-401. Policemen subject to chief's orders. All policemen shall obey and comply with such orders and administrative rules and regulations as the police chief may officially issue.

1-402. Policemen to preserve law and order, etc. Policemen shall preserve law and order within the town. They shall patrol the town and shall assist the town court during the trial of cases. Policemen shall also promptly serve any legal process issued by the town court.

1-403. Policemen to wear uniforms and be armed. All policemen shall wear such uniform and badge as the board of mayor and aldermen shall authorize and shall carry a service pistol and billy club at all times while on duty unless otherwise expressly directed by the chief for a special assignment.

1-404. When policemen to make arrests.\(^1\) Unless otherwise authorized or directed in this code or other applicable law, an arrest of the person shall be made by a policeman in the following cases:

(1) Whenever he is in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the person.

(2) Whenever an offense is committed or a breach of the peace is threatened in the officer's presence by the person.

(3) Whenever a felony has in fact been committed and the officer has reasonable cause to believe the person has committed it.

\(^1\)For provisions relating to traffic citations, etc., see title 9, chapter 6, in this code.
1-405. **Policemen may require assistance.** It shall be unlawful for any person willfully to refuse to aid a policeman in maintaining law and order or in making a lawful arrest when such person's assistance is requested by the policeman and is reasonably necessary.

1-406. **Disposition of persons arrested.** Unless otherwise authorized by law, when any person is arrested he shall be brought before the town court for immediate trial or allowed to post bond. When the town judge is not immediately available or the alleged offender does not post the required bond, he shall be confined.

1-407. **Police department records.** The police department shall keep a comprehensive and detailed daily record, in permanent form, showing:

1. All known or reported offenses and/or crimes committed within the corporate limits.
2. All arrests made by policemen.
3. All police investigations made, funerals convoyed, fire calls answered, and other miscellaneous activities of the police department.
CHAPTER 5

TOWN COURT

SECTION

1-501. Town judge. Pursuant to article X, section 1 of the charter, the mayor shall preside over the municipal court and shall be known as the town judge. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-502. Term of office and compensation. The term of office of the town judge shall coincide with the term of office for the mayor. The board of mayor and aldermen shall fix the compensation of the town judge by ordinance passed one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the regular biennial town election. The salary shall not be altered during the term of office. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-503. Absence or disability of the town judge. The board of mayor and aldermen shall designate a qualified person to serve in the absence or disability of the town judge. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-504. Judge to have powers and functions provided by charter. The judge shall be vested with the powers and functions and shall be subject to the provisions provided in the town's charter. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-505. Maintenance of docket. The town judge shall keep a complete docket of all matters coming before him in his judicial capacity. The docket shall include for each defendant such information as his name; warrant and/or
summons numbers; alleged offense; disposition; fines, penalties, and costs imposed and whether collected; whether committed to workhouse; and all other information which may be relevant. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-506. Issuance of arrest warrants. The town judge shall have the power to issue warrants for the arrest of persons charged with violating municipal ordinances. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-507. Issuance of summonses. When a complaint of an alleged ordinance violation is made to the town judge, the judge may in his discretion, in lieu of issuing an arrest warrant, issue a summons ordering the alleged offender personally to appear before the town court at a time specified therein to answer to the charges against him. The summons shall contain a brief description of the offense charged, but need not set out verbatim the provisions of the ordinance alleged to have been violated. Upon failure of any person to appear before the town court as commanded in a summons lawfully served on him, the cause may be proceeded with ex parte, and the judgment of the court shall be valid and binding subject to the defendant's right of appeal. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-508. Issuance of subpoenas. The town judge may subpoena as witnesses all person whose testimony he believes will be relevant and material to matters coming before his court, and it shall be unlawful for any person lawfully served with such a subpoena to fail or neglect to comply therewith. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-509. Trial and disposition of cases. Every person charged with violating a municipal ordinance shall be entitled to an immediate trial and disposition of his case, provided the town court is in session or the town judge is reasonably available. However, the provisions of this section shall not apply when the alleged offender, by reason of drunkenness or other incapacity, is not in a proper condition or is not able to appear before the court. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-510. Appearance bonds authorized. When the town judge is not available or when an alleged offender requests and has reasonable grounds for a delay in the trial of his case, he may, in lieu of remaining in jail pending disposition of his case, be allowed to post an appearance bond with the town

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See the Tennessee Code Annotated, title 40, chapter 5, for authority to issue search warrants.
judge or, in the absence of the judge, with the ranking police officer on duty at the time, provided such alleged offender is not drunk or otherwise in need of protective custody. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-511. **Imposition of fines, penalties, and costs.** All fines, penalties, and costs shall be imposed and recorded by the town judge on the town court docket in open court. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-512. **Appeals.** Any defendant who is dissatisfied with any judgment of the town court against him may, within ten (10) days next after such judgment is rendered, appeal to the next term of the circuit court upon posting a proper appeal bond. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-513. **Bond amounts, conditions, and forms.** An appearance bond in any case before the town court shall be in such amount as the town judge shall prescribe and shall be conditioned that the defendant shall appear for trial before the town court at the stated time and place. An appeal bond in any case shall be in the sum of two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00) and shall be conditioned that if the circuit court shall find against the appellant the fine or penalty and all costs of the trial and appeal shall be promptly paid by the defendant and/or his sureties. An appearance or appeal bond in any case may be made in the form of a cash deposit or by any corporate surety company authorized to do business in Tennessee or by two (2) private persons who individually own real property within the county. No other type bond shall be acceptable. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-514. **Disposition and report of fines, penalties, and costs.** All funds coming into the hands of the town judge in the form of fines, penalties, costs, and forfeitures shall be recorded by him and paid over daily to the municipality. At the end of each month he shall submit to the governing body a report accounting for the collection or noncollection of all fines, penalties, and costs imposed by his court during the current month and to date for the current fiscal year. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

1-515. **Disturbance of proceedings.** It shall be unlawful for any person to create any disturbance of any trial before the town court by making loud or unusual noises, by using indecorous, profane, or blasphemous language, or by any distracting conduct whatsoever. (as replaced by ord. No. 6)

CHAPTER 6

WORKHOUSE

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1-601. County workhouse to be used.
1-602. Inmates to be worked.
1-603. Compensation of inmates.

1-601. County workhouse to be used. The county workhouse is hereby designated as the municipal workhouse, subject to such contractual arrangement as may be worked out with the county.

1-602. Inmates to be worked. All persons committed to the workhouse, to the extent that their physical condition permits, shall be required to perform such public work or labor as may be lawfully prescribed for the county prisoners.

1-603. Compensation of inmates. Each workhouse inmate shall be allowed five dollars ($5.00) per day as credit toward payment of the fines assessed against him.¹

¹See section 40-3204, Tennessee Code Annotated.
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1-703. Withholdings from salaries or wages.
1-704. Appropriations for employer's contributions.
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1-706. Exclusions from coverage.

1-701. Policy and purpose as to coverage. It is hereby declared to be the policy and purpose of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee, to extend at the earliest date, to the employees and officials thereof, not excluded by law or ordinance, and whether employed in connection with a governmental or proprietary function, the benefits of the System of Federal Old-Age Survivors Insurance as authorized by the Federal Social Security Act and amendments thereto, including Public Law 734-81st Congress. In pursuance of said policy, and for that purpose, the town shall take such action as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations. (Emergency ordinance, passed November 17, 1952)

1-702. Necessary agreements to be executed. The Mayor of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee is hereby authorized and directed to execute all the necessary agreements and amendments thereto with the State Executive Director of Old Age Insurance, as agent or agency, to secure coverage of employees and officials as provided in the preceding section. (Emergency ordinance passed, November 17, 1952)

1-703. Withholdings from salaries or wages. Withholdings from salaries or wages of employees and officials for the purpose provided in Section 1-701, hereof, are hereby authorized to be made in the amounts and at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations, and shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (Emergency ordinance, passed November 17, 1952)

1-704. Appropriations for employer's contributions. There shall be appropriated from available funds such amounts at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations for employer's contributions, which shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (Emergency ordinance, passed November 17, 1952)
1-705. **Records and reports.** The town shall keep such records and make such reports as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (Emergency ordinance, passed November 17, 1952)

1-706. **Exclusions from coverage.**¹ There is hereby excluded from this chapter any authority to make any agreement with respect to emergency, part-time and fee based employees and elective legislative, executive and judicial officials, or any employee or official now covered or authorized to be covered by any other provision creating any retirement system for any employee or official of said town.

However, the mayor is hereby directed to amend the social security agreement with an effective date of July 1, 1952, so as to extend the benefits of the System of Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance to include emergency, part-time and fee based employees and elective judicial officials as of October 1, 1962, and elective executive officials as of January 1, 1958. (Emergency ordinance, passed November 17, 1952, as amended by ordinance passed February 26, 1963)

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¹See Ord. No. 22 (April 1995) of record in the office of the recorder for amendments to the Social Security Agreement by and between the City of Maury City, Tennessee, and the State Old Age and Survivors Insurance Agency.
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SECTION

1-801. Applicability of chapter.
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1-801. **Applicability of chapter.** This chapter shall apply to all full-time municipal officers and employees except those operating under the jurisdiction of a school, utility, or other separate board or commission.

1-802. **Holidays.** The following days shall be observed as legal holidays by the town's employees: New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and following day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day, and such other days as may be designated by the board of mayor and aldermen. When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the preceding Friday or following Monday shall be observed as the official holiday for town employees.

Where possible, every town employee shall be given approved holidays as set out in this section, and all employees will be paid for eight hours at their respective rate of pay even if the official holiday coincides with their regularly scheduled day off. Those employees who are regularly scheduled to work on the official holiday will receive payment for the holiday plus their respective rate of pay for their time worked. For those employees who are scheduled to take the holiday, but then are required to work, they will receive payment for the holiday plus one and one-half times the time worked.

1-803. **Vacation leave.** All officers and employees who have been continuously employed for a period of one (1) year or longer shall be credited with earned vacation leave in accordance with the following schedule:

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The above schedule and credits are for uninterrupted service computed from the most recent date of continuous employment. Employees shall accrue vacation leave from their employment date, but shall not be entitled to take
vacation until they have completed one (1) year of service. Vacation leave shall be taken as earned subject to the approval of the department head who shall schedule vacations so as to meet the operational requirements of the department. At no time shall a person's total credit for accrued vacation exceed their appropriate one year’s vacation credit.

1-804. **Sick leave.** All officers and employees shall be given credit for one (1) working day of sick leave with pay for each month of employment hereafter served. All officers and employees employed as of the date of the passage of this ordinance shall be given credit retroactively for one (1) working day of sick leave with pay for each month of employment with a retroactive limit of five years.

Sick leave, up to the number of days accrued, shall be approved for all officers and employees whose absence from duty is due to illness, bodily injury, exposure to contagious disease, or death in the immediate family of the officer or employee. Immediate family shall be limited to spouse, children, grandchildren, and brother, sister, mother, father, aunt, uncle, and grandparents of both employee and spouse. Sick leave shall not be considered as a right which an officer or employee may use at his discretion, but rather as a privilege.

When an officer or employee is absent due to reasons as provided in this section, in order to be granted sick leave with pay, he shall notify his immediate supervisor prior to the beginning of the scheduled work day, of the reason for his absence. The mayor may, in his discretion, require doctors' certificates or other satisfactory evidence that absences are properly chargeable as sick leave.

The maximum credit for accrued sick leave under the provisions of this section shall be sixty (60) days. (as replaced by ord. No. 8)

1-805. **Leave records.** The mayor shall cause to be kept, for each officer and employee, a record currently up to date at all times showing credits earned and leave taken under this chapter.
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1-901. Business dealings. Except for the receipt of such compensation as may be lawfully provided for the performance of his municipal duties, it shall be unlawful for any municipal officer or employee to be privately interested in, or to profit, directly or indirectly, from business dealings with the town.

1-902. Acceptance of gratuities. No municipal officer or employee shall accept any money or other consideration or favor from anyone other than the town for the performance of an act which he would be required or expected to perform in the regular course of his duties; nor shall any officer or employee accept, directly or indirectly, any gift, gratuity, or favor of any kind which might reasonably be interpreted as an attempt to influence his actions with respect to town business.

1-903. Outside employment. No full-time officer or employee of the town shall accept any outside employment without written authorization from the mayor after approval by the board of mayor and aldermen. The mayor shall not grant such authorization if the work is likely to interfere with the satisfactory performance of the officer's or employee's duties, or is incompatible with his municipal employment, or is likely to cast discredit upon or create embarrassment for the town.

1-904. Political activity. Municipal officers and employees may individually exercise their right to vote and privately express their political views as citizens. However, no municipal officer or employee shall solicit political campaign contributions or engage in or actively participate in any municipal political campaign. These restrictions shall not apply to elective officials.

1-905. Use of municipal time, facilities, etc. No municipal officer or employee shall use or authorize the use of municipal time, facilities, equipment,
or supplies for private gain or advantage to himself or any other private person or group. Provided, however, that this prohibition shall not apply where the board of mayor and aldermen has authorized the use of such time, facilities, equipment, or supplies, and the town is paid at such rates as are normally charged by private sources for comparable services.

1-906. **Use of position.** No municipal officer or employee shall make or attempt to make private purchases, for cash or otherwise, in the name of the town, nor shall he otherwise use or attempt to use his position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself or others.
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1-1001.  Purpose.  The purpose of this chapter and referenced regulations is to bring the city into compliance with Public Acts 1993, Chapter 433. This act requires Tennessee municipalities to adopt travel and expense regulations covering expenses incurred by "any mayor and any member of the local governing body and any board or committee member elected or appointed by the mayor or local governing body, and any official or employee of the municipality whose salary is set by charter or general law."

To provide consistent travel regulations and reimbursement, this chapter is expanded to cover regular city employees. It's the intent of this policy to assure fair and equitable treatment to all individuals traveling on city business at city expense. (as added by ord. #17, July 1993)

1-1002.  Enforcement.  The chief administrative officer (CAO) of the city or his or her designee shall be responsible for the enforcement of these travel regulations. (as added by ord. #17, July 1993)

1-1003.  Travel policy.  (1) In the interpretation and application of this chapter, the term "traveler" or "authorized traveler" means any elected or appointed municipal officer or employee, including members of the municipal boards and committees who are traveling on official municipal business and whose travel was authorized in accordance with this chapter. "Authorized traveler" shall not include the spouse, children, other relatives, friends, or companions accompanying the authorized traveler on city business, unless the person(s) otherwise qualifies as an authorized traveler under this chapter.

(2) Authorized travelers are entitled to reimbursement of certain expenditures incurred while traveling on official business for the city. Reimbursable expenses shall include expenses for transportation; lodging; meals; registration fees for conferences, conventions, and seminars; and other actual and necessary expenses related to official business as determined by the CAO. Under certain conditions, entertainment expenses may be eligible for reimbursement.
(3) Authorized travelers can request either a travel advance for the projected cost of authorized travel, or advance billing directly to the city for registration fees, air fares, meals, lodging, conferences, and similar expenses.

Travel advance requests aren't considered documentation of travel expenses. If travel advances exceed documented expenses, the traveler must immediately reimburse the city. It will be the responsibility of the CAO to initiate action to recover any undocumented travel advances.

(4) Travel advances are available only for special travel and only after completion and approval of the travel authorization form.

(5) The travel expense reimbursement form will be used to document all expense claims.

(6) To qualify for reimbursement, travel expenses must be:
   - directly related to the conduct of the city business for which travel was authorized, and
   - actual, reasonable, and necessary under the circumstances.

   The CAO may make exceptions for unusual circumstances. Expenses considered excessive won't be allowed.

(7) Claims of $5 or more for travel expense reimbursement must be supported by the original paid receipt for lodging, vehicle rental, phone call, public carrier travel, conference fee, and other reimbursable costs.

(8) Any person attempting to defraud the city or misuse city travel funds is subject to legal action for recovery of fraudulent travel claims and/or advances.

(9) Mileage and motel expenses incurred within the city aren't ordinarily considered eligible expenses for reimbursement. (as added by ord. #17, July 1993)

1-1003. Travel reimbursement rate schedules. Authorized travelers shall be reimbursed according to the federal travel regulation rates.

The city's travel reimbursement rates will automatically change when the federal rates are adjusted.

The municipality may pay directly to the provider for expenses such as meals, lodging, and registration fees for conferences, conventions, seminars, and other education programs. (as added by ord. #17, July 1993)

1-1004. Administrative procedures. The city adopts and incorporates by reference -- as if fully set out herein -- the administrative procedures submitted by MTAS to, and approved by letter by, the Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee, in June 1993. A copy of the administrative procedure is on file in the office of the city recorder. (as added by ord. #17, July 1993)
TITLE 2

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

CHAPTER
1. INTOXICATING LIQUORS.
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CHAPTER 1

INTOXICATING LIQUORS

SECTION

2-101. Prohibited generally. Except as authorized by applicable laws and/or ordinances, it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, receive, possess, store, transport, sell, furnish, or solicit orders for, any intoxicating liquor within this municipality. "Intoxicating liquor" shall be defined to include whiskey, wine, "home brew," "moonshine," and all other intoxicating, spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors and beers which contain more than five percent (5%) of alcohol by weight.

\footnote{For provisions prohibiting minors in beer places and prohibiting drinking beer, etc., on the streets, etc., see title 10 in this code.}

For general provisions in the state law, see \textit{Tennessee Code Annotated}, title 57.

\footnote{See particularly \textit{Tennessee Code Annotated}, title 39, chapter 25.}
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BEER

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2-201. Beer board established. There is hereby established a beer board to be composed of the members of the board of mayor and aldermen. A chairman shall be elected annually by the board from among its members. Members of the beer board shall serve without compensation. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-202. Meetings of the beer board. All meetings of the beer board shall be open to the public. The board shall hold regular meetings in the town hall at such times as it shall prescribe. When there is business to come before the beer board, a special meeting may be called by the chairman provided he gives a reasonable notice thereof to each member. The board may adjourn a meeting at any time to another time and place. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

\footnote{For a leading case in Tennessee on a municipality's authority to regulate beer, see the Tennessee Supreme Court decision in Grubb et al. v. Mayor and Aldermen of Morristown et al., 185 Tenn. 114, 203 S.W.2d 593 (1947).}

For general business regulations, see title 5 in this code; for applicable tax provisions, see title 6; for miscellaneous provisions prohibiting minors in beer places and prohibiting drinking beer on streets, etc., see title 10.
2-203. **Record of beer board proceedings to be kept.** The recorder shall make a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the beer board. The record shall be a public record and shall contain at least the following: The date of each meeting; the names of the board members present and absent; the names of the members introducing and seconding motions and resolutions, etc., before the board; a copy of each such motion or resolution presented; the vote of each member thereon; and the provisions of each beer permit issued by the board. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-204. **Requirements for beer board quorum and action.** The attendance of at least a majority of the members of the beer board shall be required to constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business. Matters before the board shall be decided by a majority of the members present if a quorum is constituted. Any member present but not voting shall be deemed to have cast a "nay" vote. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-205. **Powers and duties of the beer board.** The beer board shall have the power and it is hereby directed to regulate the selling, storing for sale, distributing for sale, and manufacturing of beer within this city in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-206. **"Beer" defined.** The term "beer" as used in this chapter shall mean and include all beers, ales, and other malt liquors having an alcoholic content of not more than five percent (5%) by weight. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-207. **Permit required for engaging in beer business.** It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, store for sale, distribute for sale, or manufacture beer without first making application to and obtaining a permit from the beer board. The application shall be made on such form as the board shall prescribe and/or furnish, and, pursuant to T.C.A. 57-5-101(b), shall be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250.00). ¹ Said fee shall be in the form of a cashier's check payable to the Town of Maury City. Each applicant must be a person of good moral character and he must certify that he has read and is familiar with the provisions of this chapter. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-208. **Privilege tax.** Effective January 1, 1994 there is hereby imposed on the business of selling, distributing, storing or manufacturing beer a

¹See Tennessee Code Annotated, section 57-5-108(c).
privilege tax of one hundred dollars ($100). Any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate or association engaged in the sale, distribution, storage or manufacture of beer shall remit the tax on January 1, 1994, and each successive January 1 to the Town of Maury City, Tennessee. At the time a new permit is issued to any business subject to this tax, the permit holder shall be required to pay the privilege tax on a prorated basis for each month or portion thereof remaining until the next tax payment date. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-209. **Beer permits shall be restrictive.** All beer permits shall be restrictive as to the type of beer business authorized under them. Separate permits shall be required for selling at retail, storing, distributing, and manufacturing. Permits may be issued by the board to retail stores for the sale of beer exclusively for carry-out, off premises consumption.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to engage in any type or phase of the beer business not expressly authorized by his permit. It shall likewise be unlawful for him not to comply with any and all express restrictions or conditions which may be written into his permit by the beer board. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-210. **Interference with public health, safety, and morals prohibited.** No permit authorizing the sale of beer will be issued when such business would cause congestion of traffic or would interfere with hospitals, schools, churches, or other places of public gathering, or would otherwise interfere with the public health, safety, and morals. In no event will a permit be issued authorizing the manufacture or storage of beer, or the sale of beer, within two hundred and fifty (250) feet of any hospital, school, church, or other place of public gathering. The distance shall be measured in a straight line\(^1\) from the nearest point upon the property line from which the beer will be sold, manufactured or stored to the nearest point on the property line of the hospital, school, church or other place of public gathering. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-211. **Issuance of permits to persons convicted of certain crimes prohibited.** No beer permit shall be issued to any person who has been convicted for the possession, sale, manufacture, or transportation of intoxicating liquor, or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

\(^1\)State law reference

See **Watkins v. Naifeh**, 625 S. W. 2d 104 (1982) and other cases cited therein which establish the straight line method of measurement.
2-212. Prohibited conduct or activities by beer permit holders. It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to:

(1) Employ any person convicted for the possession, sale, manufacture, or transportation of intoxicating liquor, or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years.

(2) Make or allow any sale of beer between the hours of 10:30 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday and between 11:30 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. on Friday and Saturday; at any time on Sunday; or on election days before and while the polls are lawfully open.

(3) Make or allow any sale of beer to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age.

(4) Allow any person under twenty-one (21) years of age to loiter in or about his place of business.

(5) Make or allow any sale of beer to any intoxicated person or to any feeble-minded, insane, or otherwise mentally incapacitated person.

(6) Allow drunk persons to loiter about his premises.

(7) Serve, sell, or allow the consumption on his premises of any alcoholic beverage with an alcoholic content of more than five percent (5%) by weight.

(8) Serve or sell or allow to be served or sold beer to any person in or on any motor vehicle or allow any person to consume beer while in a motor vehicle parked on his premises.

(9) Allow assaults, fighting, damaging of property and breaches of the peace occurring on or in the premises where is sold. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-213. Revocation and suspension of beer permits. The beer board shall have the power to revoke or suspend any beer permit issued under the provisions of this chapter when the holder thereof is guilty of making a false statement or misrepresentation in his application or of violating any of the provisions of this chapter. However, no beer permit shall be revoked or suspended until a public hearing is held by the board after reasonable notice to all the known parties in interest. Suspension or revocation proceedings may be initiated by the police chief or by any member of the beer board. (as replaced by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)

2-214. Civil penalty in lieu of suspension or revocation. Pursuant to T.C.A. 57-5-108(a)(2) the board may assess a civil penalty against a permit holder in lieu of suspension or revocation of said permit. Such penalty may be up to one thousand five hundred dollars ($1500) for each offense of making or allowing sales to minors and up to one thousand dollars ($1000) for any other
violation. The permit holder will have seven days to pay aforementioned penalty before the suspension or revocation takes effect. Payment of the penalty does not affect the permit holder's right to seek judicial review of the suspension or revocation pursuant to the general laws of the State of Tennessee. (as added by ord. #19, Sept. 1993)
CHAPTER 1

IN GENERAL

SECTION
3-101. Running at large prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or being in charge of any cows, swine, sheep, horses, mules, goats, or any chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, or other domestic fowl, cattle, or livestock, knowingly or negligently to permit any of them to run at large in any street, alley, or unenclosed lot within the corporate limits.

3-102. Pen or enclosure to be kept clean. When animals or fowls are kept within the corporate limits, the building, structure, corral, pen, or enclosure in which they are kept shall at all times be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

3-103. Adequate food, water, and shelter, etc., to be provided. No animal or fowl shall be kept or confined in any place where the food, water, shelter, and ventilation are not adequate and sufficient for the preservation of its health and safety.

All feed shall be stored and kept in a rat-proof and fly-tight building, box, or receptacle.

3-104. Keeping in such manner as to become a nuisance prohibited. No animal or fowl shall be kept in such a place or condition as to become a nuisance because of either noise, odor, contagious disease, or other reason.
3-105. Cruel treatment prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to beat or otherwise abuse or injure any dumb animal or fowl.

3-106. Seizure and disposition of animals. Any animal or fowl found running at large or otherwise being kept in violation of this chapter may be seized by the health officer or by any police officer and confined in a pound provided or designated by the board of mayor and aldermen. If the owner is known he shall be given notice in person, by telephone, or by a postcard addressed to his last-known mailing address. If the owner is not known or cannot be located, a notice describing the impounded animal or fowl will be posted in at least three (3) public places within the corporate limits. In either case the notice shall state that the impounded animal or fowl must be claimed within five (5) days by paying the pound costs or the same will be humanely destroyed or sold. If not claimed by the owner, the animal or fowl shall be sold or humanely destroyed, or it may otherwise be disposed of as authorized by the board of mayor and aldermen.

The pound keeper shall collect from each person claiming an impounded animal or fowl reasonable fees, in accordance with a schedule approved by the board of mayor and aldermen, to cover the costs of impoundment and maintenance.

3-107. Inspections of premises. For the purpose of making inspections to insure compliance with the provisions of this chapter, the health officer, or his authorized representative, shall be authorized to enter, at any reasonable time, any premises where he has reasonable cause to believe an animal or fowl is being kept in violation of this chapter.
CHAPTER 2

DOGS

SECTION

3-201. Rabies vaccination and registration required.
3-202. Dogs to wear tags.
3-203. Running at large prohibited.
3-204. Vicious dogs to be securely restrained.
3-205. Noisy dogs prohibited.
3-206. Confinement of dogs suspected of being rabid.
3-207. Seizure and disposition of dogs.

3-201. Rabies vaccination and registration required. It shall be unlawful for any person to own, keep, or harbor any dog without having the same duly vaccinated against rabies and registered in accordance with the provisions of the "Tennessee Anti-Rabies Law" (Tennessee Code Annotated, section 68-8-101 to 68-8-114) or other applicable law.

3-202. Dogs to wear tags. It shall be unlawful for any person to own, keep, or harbor any dog which does not wear a tag evidencing the vaccination and registration required by the preceding section.

3-203. Running at large prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to permit any dog owned by him or under his control to run at large within the corporate limits.

3-204. Vicious dogs to be securely restrained. It shall be unlawful for any person to own or keep any dog known to be vicious or dangerous unless such dog is so confined and/or otherwise securely restrained as to provide reasonably for the protection of other animals and persons.

3-205. Noisy dogs prohibited. No person shall own, keep, or harbor any dog which, by loud and frequent barking, whining, or howling, disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood.

3-206. Confinement of dogs suspected of being rabid. If any dog has bitten any person or is suspected of having bitten any person or is for any reason suspected of being infected with rabies, the health officer or chief of

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police may cause such dog to be confined or isolated for such time as he deems reasonably necessary to determine if such dog is rabid.

3-207. Seizure and disposition of dogs. Any dog found running at large may be seized by the health officer or any police officer and placed in a pound provided or designated by the board of mayor and aldermen. If said dog is wearing a tag the owner shall be notified in person, by telephone, or by a postcard addressed to his last-known mailing address to appear within five (5) days and redeem his dog by paying a reasonable pound fee, in accordance with a schedule approved by the governing body, or the dog will be humanely destroyed or sold. If said dog is not wearing a tag it shall be humanely destroyed or sold unless legally claimed by the owner within two (2) days. No dog shall be released in any event from the pound unless or until such dog has been vaccinated and had a tag evidencing such vaccination placed on its collar.

When, because of its viciousness or apparent infection with rabies, a dog found running at large cannot be safely impounded it may be summarily destroyed by the health officer or any policeman.¹

¹For a Tennessee Supreme Court case upholding the summary destruction of dogs pursuant to appropriate legislation, see the case of Darnell v. Shapard, 156 Tenn. 544, 3 S.W.2d 661 (1927).
4-101. Definitions. (1) “Mobile home.” A detached single family dwelling with any or all of the following characteristics: 

1For related provisions in this code see title 7, "Fire Protection, Fireworks, and Explosives"; title 8, "Health and Sanitation"; title 11, "Planning and Zoning"; title 12, "Streets and Other Public Ways and Places"; and title 13, "Utilities and Services."
(a) Designed for long-term occupancy, and containing sleeping accommodations, a flush toilet, a tub or shower bath and kitchen facilities, with plumbing and electrical connections provided for attachment to outside systems.

(b) Designed to be transported after fabrication on its own wheels, or on a flatbed or other trailers or detachable wheels.

(c) Arriving at the site where it is to be occupied as a complete dwelling including major appliances and furniture, and ready for occupancy except for minor and incidental unpacking and assembly operations, connection to utilities and the like.

(2) "Mobile home park (trailer court)." The term mobile home park shall mean any plot of ground on which two (2) or more mobile homes, occupied for dwelling or sleeping purposes are located.

(3) "Mobile home space." The term shall mean a plot of ground within a mobile home park designated for the accommodation of one (1) mobile home.

(4) "Health officer." The director of the city, county or district health department having jurisdiction over the community health in a specific area, or his duly authorized representative.

(5) "Permit (license)." The permit required for trailer parks and single mobile homes. Fees charged under the license requirement are for inspection and the administration of this chapter. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-102. Location of mobile homes. It shall be unlawful to place two mobile homes or a mobile home and a residential dwelling on any lot or serviced by the utilities of the city where the mobile home is outside of any designated and licensed mobile home park after August 31, 1992. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-103. Previous mobile homes "grandfathered." The owner or occupant of any mobile home already placed on a lot, on or before August 31, 1992 will be permitted to reside at the present location. However, if at any time the ownership of either the lot or mobile home shall change or if the mobile home is moved from its present location, the mobile home owner shall be given a period not to exceed thirty (30) days in which to remove the mobile home and to comply with all provisions of this chapter. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-104. State tax sticker required. No mobile home shall be used, placed, stored or serviced by utilities within any mobile home park in the city unless it bears the insignia of approval of the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance, his designee or an approved inspection agency. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)
4-105. Permit for mobile home park. No place or site within the city shall be established or maintained by any person, group of persons, or corporation as a mobile home park unless he holds a valid permit issued by the city code enforcement officer in the names of such person or persons for the specific mobile home park. The city code enforcement officer is authorized to issue, suspend, or revoke permits in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-106 Inspections by city code enforcement officer. The city code enforcement officer is hereby authorized and directed to make inspections to determine the condition of mobile home parks, in order that he may perform his duty of safeguarding the health and safety of occupants of mobile home parks and of the general public. The city code enforcement officer shall have the power to enter at reasonable times upon any private or public property for the purpose of inspecting and investigating conditions relating to the enforcement of this chapter. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-107 Location and planning. The mobile home park shall be located on a well-drained site and shall be so located that its drainage will not endanger existing structures and shall be in conformity with a plan approved by the mayor and board of aldermen and city code enforcement officer. The city code enforcement officer may promulgate regulations for mobile home park location and plan approval, which shall provide for adequate space, lighting, drainage, sanitary facilities, safety features, and service buildings as may be necessary to protect the public health, prevent nuisances, and provide for the convenience and welfare of the mobile home park occupants. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-108. Minimum size of mobile home park. The tract of land for the mobile home park shall be any lot of record with an area of not less than 4,800 square feet. The tract of land shall consist of a single plat so dimensioned and related as to facilitate efficient design and management. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-109. Minimum mobile homes space and spacing of mobile homes. Each mobile home space shall be adequate for the type of facility occupying the same. Mobile homes shall be parked on each space so that there will be at least fifteen (15) feet of open space between mobile homes or any attachment such as a
If the construction of additional rooms or covered areas is to be allowed beside the mobile homes, the mobile homes spaces shall be made wider to accommodate such construction in order to maintain the required fifteen (15) feet of open space.

The individual plot sizes for mobile home spaces shall be determined as follows:

1. Minimum lot area of two thousand four hundred (2,400) square feet;
2. Minimum depth with end parking of an automobile shall be equal to the length of the mobile home plus thirty (30) feet;
3. Minimum depth with side or street parking shall be equal to the length of mobile home plus fifteen (15) feet; and
4. In no case shall the minimum width be less than forty (40) feet and the minimum depth less than sixty (60) feet. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-110. Water supply and sewage disposal. The city will furnish the mobile home park with water and sewer service upon request provided service is adjacent to the site. Upon payment of all tap fees the city will install a water meter and a sewer connection at a location to be determined by the utility manager in conjunction with the owner.

All water and sewer lines within the mobile home park shall be the property of the owner, but shall be installed in concurrence with the standards of the Tennessee Department of Conservation and Environment and the city's water and sewer ordinance.

All water and sewer construction within the mobile home park shall be inspected by the city utility manager before being covered. No service shall be provided until the entire system is approved by the utility manager. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-111. Refuse. The storage, collection and disposal of refuse, in the park shall be so managed as to create no health hazards. All refuse shall be stored in fly proof, water tight and rodent proof containers. Satisfactory container racks or holders shall be provided. Garbage shall be collected and disposed of in an approved manner at least once per week. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

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1If the construction of additional rooms or covered areas is to be allowed beside the mobile homes, the mobile homes spaces shall be made wider to accommodate such construction in order to maintain the required fifteen (15) feet of open space.
4-112. **Electricity.** An electrical outlet supplying at least two hundred twenty (220) volts shall be provided for each mobile home space and shall be weatherproof and accessible to the parked mobile home. All electrical installations shall be in compliance with the Tennessee Department of Insurance and Banking Regulations, entitled "Regulations Relating to Electrical Installations in the State of Tennessee", and shall satisfy all requirements of the local electric service organization. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-113. **Streets.** Widths of various streets within mobile home parks shall be:

- One-way, with no on-street parking ............... 11 ft.
- One-way, with parallel parking on one side only .......... 18 ft.
- One-way, with parallel parking on both side ........... 26 ft.
- Two-way, with no on-street parking ..................... 20 ft.
- Two-way, with parallel parking on one side only .......... 28 ft.
- Two-way, with parallel parking on both sides ........... 36 ft.

Streets shall have a compacted gravel base and a prime seal treatment to meet requirement of the Tennessee State Highway Department. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-114. **Parking spaces.** Car parking spaces shall be provided in sufficient number to meet the needs of the occupants of the property and their guests without interference with normal movement of traffic. Such facilities shall be provided at the rate of at least one (1) car space for each mobile home lot plus an additional car space for each four (4) lots to provide for guest parking, for two (2) car tenants and for delivery and service vehicles. Car parking spaces shall be located for convenient access to the mobile home space. Where practical one (1) car space shall be located on each lot and the remainder located in adjacent parking bays. The size of the individual parking space shall have a minimum width of not less than ten (10) feet and a length of not less than twenty (20) feet. The parking spaces shall be located so access can be gained only from internal streets of the mobile home park. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-115. **Buffer strip.** An evergreen buffer strip shall be planted along those boundaries of the mobile home court that are adjacent to development. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-116. **License for mobile home parks.** It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to maintain or operate within the corporate limits of the city, a mobile park unless such person or persons shall first obtain a license therefor. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)
4-117. License fees for mobile home park. The annual license fee for mobile home parks shall be one hundred (100) dollars. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-118. Application for license. Application for a mobile home park shall be filed with and issued by the city code enforcement officer subject to approval of the mobile home park plan. Application shall be in writing and signed by the applicant and shall be accompanied with a plan of the proposed mobile home park. The plan shall contain the following information and conform to the following requirements:

(a) The plan shall be clearly and legibly drawn at a scale not smaller than one hundred (100) feet to one (1) inch;
(b) Name and address of owner of record;
(c) Proposed name of park;
(d) North Point and graphic scale and date;
(e) Vicinity map showing location and acreage of mobile home park;
(f) Exact boundary line of the tract by bearing and distance;
(g) Names of owners of record of adjoining land;
(h) Existing streets, utilities, easements, and water courses on and adjacent to the tract;
(i) Proposed design including streets, proposed street names, lot lines with approximate dimensions, easements, land to be reserved or dedicated for public uses, and any land to be used for purposes other than mobile home spaces;
(j) Provisions for water supply, sewerage and drainage;
(k) Such information as may be required by the city to enable it to determine if the proposed park will comply with legal requirements; and

(l) The applications and all accompanying plans and specifications shall be filed in triplicate. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-119. Enforcement. It shall be the duty of the county health officer and city code enforcement officer to enforce provisions of this chapter. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)

4-120. Violation and penalty. Any person or corporation who violates the provisions of the chapter or the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, or fails to perform the reasonable requirements specified by the city code enforcement officer after receipt of thirty (30) days written notice of such
requirements, shall be fined in accordance with the general penalty provisions of this code. (as added by ord. #16, Aug. 1992)
TITLE 5

BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS, AND OCCUPATIONS

CHAPTER
1. MISCELLANEOUS.
2. PEDDLERS, ETC.
3. CHARITABLE SOLICITORS.
4. POOL ROOMS.
5. FAIR HOUSING.

CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION

5-101. "Going out of business" sales. It shall be unlawful for any person falsely to represent a sale as being a "going out of business" sale. A "going out of business" sale, for the purposes of this section, shall be a "fire sale," "bankrupt sale," "loss of lease sale," or any other sale made in anticipation of the termination of a business at its present location. When any person after advertising a "going out of business" sale adds to his stock or fails to go out of business within ninety (90) days he shall prima facie be deemed to have violated this section.

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1For beer business regulations in this code, see title 2, chapter 2; for regulations relating to building, plumbing, and wiring, etc., see title 4; for privilege tax provisions, etc., see title 6; for health and sanitation regulations with respect to certain businesses such as junk yards, etc., see title 8; for restrictions on posting notices or advertisements and making noise to attract attention, see title 10; and, for zoning provisions, see title 11.
CHAPTER 2

PEDDLERS, ETC.¹

SECTION
5-201. Permit required.
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5-209. Exhibition of permit.
5-210. Policemen to enforce.
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5-213. Expiration and renewal of permit.

5-201. Permit required. It shall be unlawful for any peddler, canvasser, solicitor, or transient merchant to ply his trade within the corporate limits without first obtaining a permit therefor in compliance with the provisions of this chapter. No permit shall be used at any time by any person other than the one to whom it is issued.

5-202. Exemptions. The terms of this chapter shall not be applicable to (a) persons selling at wholesale to dealers; (b) sales or deliveries by persons who operate established businesses; (c) newsboys; (d) bona fide charitable, religious, patriotic, or philanthropic organizations; and (f) farmers who peddle, canvass, or solicit the sale of produce grown or raised by them.

5-203. Application for permit. Applicants for a permit under this chapter must file with the town recorder a sworn written application containing the following:

(1) Name and physical description of applicant.

(2) Complete permanent home address and local address of the applicant and, in the case of transient merchants, the local address from which proposed sales will be made.

¹For privilege tax provisions, etc., see title 6 in this code.
A brief description of the nature of the business and the goods to be sold.

If employed, the name and address of the employer, together with credentials therefrom establishing the exact relationship.

The length of time for which the right to do business is desired.

A recent clear photograph approximately two (2) inches square showing the head and shoulders of the applicant.

The names of at least two (2) reputable local property owners who will certify as to the applicant’s good moral reputation and business responsibility, or in lieu of the names of references, such other available evidence as will enable an investigator to evaluate the applicant’s moral reputation and business responsibility.

A statement as to whether or not the applicant has been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor or for violating any municipal ordinance and, if so, the nature of the offense and the punishment or penalty assessed therefor.

The last three (3) cities or towns, if that many, where applicant carried on business immediately preceding the date of application and, in the case of transient merchants, the addresses from which such business was conducted in those municipalities.

At the time of filing the application, a fee of five dollars ($5.00) shall be paid to the town to help defray the cost of investigating the facts stated therein.

5-204. Issuance or refusal of permit. (1) Each application shall be referred to the chief of police for investigation. The chief shall report his findings to the town recorder within seventy-two (72) hours.

(2) If as a result of such investigation the chief reports the applicant’s moral reputation and/or business responsibility to be unsatisfactory the town recorder shall notify the applicant that his application is disapproved and that no permit will be issued.

(3) If, on the other hand, the chief’s report indicates that the moral reputation and business responsibility of the applicant are satisfactory the town recorder shall issue a permit after the payment of all applicable privilege taxes, presenting evidence of a sales tax license, and the filing of the bond required by section 5-206. The town recorder shall keep a permanent record of all permits issued.

5-205. Appeal. Any person aggrieved by the action of the chief of police and/or the town recorder in the denial of a permit shall have the right to appeal to the board of mayor and aldermen. Such appeal shall be taken by filing with the mayor, within fourteen (14) days after notice of the action complained of, a written statement setting forth fully the grounds for the appeal. The mayor
shall set a time and place for a hearing on such appeal and notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be given to the appellant. The notice shall be in writing and shall be mailed, postage prepaid, to the applicant at his last known address at least five (5) days prior to the date set for hearing, or shall be delivered by a police officer in the same manner as a summons at least three (3) days prior to the date set for hearing.

5-206. Bond. Every permittee shall file with the town recorder a surety bond running to the town in the amount of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00). The bond shall be conditioned that the permittee shall comply fully with all the provisions of the ordinances of this town and the statutes of the state regulating peddlers, canvassers, solicitors, transient merchants, itinerant merchants, or itinerant vendors, as the case may be, and shall guarantee to any citizen of the municipality that all money paid as a down payment will be accounted for and applied according to the representations of the permittee, and further guaranteeing to any citizen of the municipality doing business with said permittee that the property purchased will be delivered according to the representations of the permittee. Action on such bond may be brought by any person aggrieved and for whose benefit, among others, the bond is given. The surety may be relieved without costs of all further liability by paying, pursuant to order of the court, the face amount of the bond to the clerk of the court in which the suit is commenced.

5-207. Loud noises and speaking devices. No permittee, nor any person in his behalf, shall shout, cry out, blow a horn, ring a bell, or use any sound amplifying device upon any of the sidewalks, streets, alleys, parks, or other public places of the municipality or upon private premises where sound of sufficient volume is emitted or produced therefrom to be capable of being plainly heard upon the adjacent sidewalks, streets, alleys, parks, or other public places, for the purpose of attracting attention to any goods, wares, or merchandise which such permittee proposes to sell.

5-208. Use of streets. No permittee shall have any exclusive right to any location in the public streets, nor shall any be permitted a stationary location thereon, nor shall any be permitted to operate in a congested area where such operation might impede or inconvenience the public use of such streets. For the purpose of this chapter, the judgment of a police officer, exercised in good faith, shall be deemed conclusive as to whether the area is congested and the public impeded or inconvenienced.

5-209. Exhibition of permit. Permittees are required to exhibit their permits at the request of any policeman or citizen.
5-210. **Policemen to enforce.** It shall be the duty of all policemen to see that the provisions of this chapter are enforced.

5-211. **Revocation or suspension of permit.** (1) Permits issued under the provisions of this chapter may be revoked by the board of mayor and aldermen, after notice and hearing, for any of the following causes:

   (a) Fraud, misrepresentation, or incorrect statement contained in the application for permit or made in the course of carrying on the business of solicitor, canvasser, peddler, transient merchant, itinerant merchant, or itinerant vendor.

   (b) Any violation of this chapter.

   (c) Conviction of any crime or misdemeanor.

   (d) Conducting the business of peddler, canvasser, solicitor, transient merchant, itinerant merchant, or itinerant vendor, as the case may be, in an unlawful manner or in such a manner as to constitute a breach of the peace or to constitute a menace to the health, safety, or general welfare of the public.

   (2) Notice of the hearing for revocation of a permit shall be given by the town recorder in writing, setting forth specifically the grounds of complaint and the time and place of hearing. Such notice shall be mailed to the permittee at his last known address at least five (5) days prior to the date set for hearing or it shall be delivered by a police officer in the same manner as a summons at least three (3) days prior to the date set for hearing.

   (3) The mayor may suspend a permit pending the revocation hearing when reasonably necessary in the public interest.

5-212. **Reapplication.** No permittee whose permit has been revoked shall make further application until a period of at least six (6) months has elapsed since the last revocation.

5-213. **Expiration and renewal of permit.** Permits issued under the provisions of this chapter shall expire on the same date that the permittee's privilege license expires and shall be renewed without cost if the permittee applies for and obtains a new privilege license within thirty (30) days thereafter. Permits issued to permittees who are not subject to a privilege tax shall be issued for one (1) year. An application for a renewal shall be made substantially in the same form as an original application. However, only so much of the application shall be completed as is necessary to reflect conditions which have changed since the last application was filed.
CHAPTER 3
CHARITABLE SOLICITORS

SECTION
5-301. Permit required.
5-302. Prerequisites for a permit.
5-303. Denial of a permit.
5-304. Exhibition of permit.

5-301. Permit required. No person shall solicit contributions or anything else of value for any real or alleged charitable or religious purpose without a permit from the town recorder authorizing such solicitation. Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to any locally established organization or church operated exclusively for charitable or religious purposes if the solicitations are conducted exclusively among the members thereof, voluntarily and without remuneration for making such solicitations, or if the solicitations are in the form of collections or contributions at the regular assemblies of any such established organization or church.

5-302. Prerequisites for a permit. The recorder shall, upon application, issue a permit authorizing charitable or religious solicitations when, after a reasonable investigation, he finds the following facts to exist:

(1) The applicant has a good character and reputation for honesty and integrity or, if the applicant is not an individual person, that every member, managing officer, or agent of the applicant has a good character or reputation for honesty and integrity.

(2) The control and supervision of the solicitation will be under responsible and reliable persons.

(3) The applicant has not engaged in any fraudulent transaction or enterprise.

(4) The solicitation will not be a fraud on the public but will be for a bona fide charitable or religious purpose.

(5) The solicitation is prompted solely by a desire to finance the charitable cause described by the applicant.

5-303. Denial of a permit. Any applicant for a permit to make charitable or religious solicitations may appeal to the governing body if he has not been granted a permit within fifteen (15) days after he makes application therefor.
5-304. **Exhibition of permit.** Any solicitor required by this chapter to have a permit shall exhibit such permit at the request of any policeman or person solicited.
CHAPTER 4

POOL ROOMS\(^1\)

SECTION
5-401. Prohibited in residential areas.
5-402. Hours of operation regulated.
5-403. Minors to be kept out; exception.
5-404. Gambling, etc., not to be allowed.

5-401. **Prohibited in residential areas.** It shall be unlawful for any person to open, maintain, conduct, or operate any place where pool tables or billiard tables are kept for public use or hire on any premises located in any block where fifty percent (50\%) or more of the land is used or zoned for residential purposes.

5-402. **Hours of operation regulated.** It shall be unlawful for any person maintaining, conducting or operating a business where pool tables or billiard tables are kept for public use or hire to allow the playing of pool or billiards at any time on Sunday or between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and 11:30 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

5-403. **Minors to be kept out; exception.** It shall be unlawful for any person engaged regularly, or otherwise, in keeping billiard, bagatelle, or pool rooms or tables, or for their employees, agents, servants, or other persons for them, knowingly to permit any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to play on said tables at any game of billiards, bagatelle, pool, or other games requiring the use of cue and balls, without first having obtained the written consent of the parents of such minor, if living; if the parents are dead, then the guardian, or other person having legal control of such minor; or if the minor be in attendance as a student at some literary institution, then the written consent of the principal or person in charge of such school; provided that this section shall not apply to the use of billiards, bagatelle, and pool tables in private residences.

5-404. **Gambling, etc., not to be allowed.** It shall be unlawful for any person operating, conducting, or maintaining any place where pool tables or

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\(^1\)For privilege tax provisions, etc., see title 6 in this code.
billiard tables are kept for public use or hire to permit any gambling or other unlawful or immoral conduct on such premises.
CHAPTER 5

FAIR HOUSING

SECTION
5-501. Policy.
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5-503. Unlawful practice.
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5-509. Education and conciliation.
5-510. Enforcement.
5-511. Investigations; subpoenas; giving of evidence.
5-512. Enforcement by private persons.

5-501. Policy. It is the policy of the City of Maury City to provide, within constitutional limitations, for fair housing throughout the community. (as added by ord. #15, § 1, April 1991)

5-502. Definitions. (1) "Dwelling" means any building, structure, or portion thereof which is occupied as, or designed or intended for occupancy as a residence by one or more families, and any vacant land which is offered for sale or lease for the construction or location thereon of any such building, structure, or portion thereof.
   (2) "Family" includes a single individual.
   (3) "Person" includes one or more individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, labor organizations, legal representatives, mutual companies, joint-stock companies, trusts, unincorporated organizations, trustees, trustees in bankruptcy, receivers, and judiciaries.
   (4) "To rent" includes to lease, to sublease, to let and otherwise to grant for a consideration the right to occupy premises owned by the occupant.
   (5) "Discriminatory housing practice" means an act that is unlawful under section 5-504, 5-505, 5-506. (as added by ord. #15, § 2, April 1991)

5-503. Unlawful practice. Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) and section 5-507, the prohibitions against discrimination in the sale or rental of housing set forth in section 5-504 shall apply to:
   (1) All dwellings except as exempted by subsection (2).
   (2) Nothing in section 5-504 shall apply to:
(a) Any single-family house sold or rented by an owner: Provided that such private individual owner does not own more than three such single-family houses at any one time: Provided further that in the case of the sale of any such single-family house by a private individual owner not residing in such house at the time of such sale or who was not the most recent resident of such house prior the such sale, the exemption granted by this subsection shall apply only with respect to one such sale within any twenty-four month period: Provided further that such bona fide private individual owner does not own any interest in, nor is there owned or reserved on his behalf, under any express or voluntary agreement, title to or any right to all or a portion of the proceeds from the sale or rental of, more than three such single-family houses at any one time: Provided further that the sale or rental of any such single-family house shall be excepted from the application of this title only if such house is sold or rented (i) without the use in any manner of the sale or rental facilities or the sales or rental services of any real estate broker, agent, or salesman, or of such facilities or services of any person in the business of selling or renting dwellings, or of any employee or agent of any such broker, agent, salesman, or person and (ii) without the publication, posting or mailing, after notice of any advertisement or written notice in violation of section 5-504 (3) of this chapter, but nothing in this proviso shall prohibit the use of assistance as necessary to perfect or transfer the title, or

(b) rooms or units in dwellings containing living quarters occupied or intended to be occupied by no more than four families living independently of each other, if the owner actually maintains and occupies one of such living quarters as his residence.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (2), a person shall be deemed to be in the business of selling or renting dwellings if:

(a) he has, within the preceding twelve months, participated as principal in three or more transactions involving the sale or rental of any dwelling or any interest therein, or

(b) he has, within the preceding twelve months, participated as agent, other than in the sale of his own personal residence in providing sales or rental facilities or sales or rental services in two or more transactions involving the sale or rental of any dwelling or any interest therein, or

(c) he is the owner of any dwelling designed or intended for occupancy by, or occupied by, five or more families. (as added by ord. #15, § 3, April 1991)
5-504. Discrimination in the sale or rental of housing. As made applicable by section 5-503 and except as exempted by sections 5-503 (2) and 5-507, it shall be unlawful:

(1) To refuse to sell or rent after the making of a bona fide offer, or to refuse to negotiate for the sale or rental of, or otherwise make unavailable or deny, a dwelling to any person because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap.

(2) To discriminate against any person in terms, conditions, or privileges of sale or rental of a dwelling, or in the provision of services or facilities in connection therewith, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap.

(3) To make, print, or publish, or cause to be made, printed, or published any notice, statement, or advertisement, with respect to the sale or rental of a dwelling that indicates any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap, or any intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination.

(4) To represent to any person because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap that any dwelling is not available for inspection, sale, or rental when such dwelling is in fact so available.

(5) For profit, to induce or attempt to induce any person to sell or rent any dwelling by representations regarding the entry or prospective entry into the neighborhood of a person or persons of a particular race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap. (as added by ord. #15, § 4, April 1991)

5-505. Discrimination in the financing of housing. It shall be unlawful for any bank, building and loan association, insurance company or other corporation, association, firm or enterprise whose business consists in whole or in part in the making of commercial real estate loans, to deny a loan or other financial assistance to a person applying therefore for the purpose of purchasing, constructing, improving, repairing, or maintaining a dwelling, or to discriminate against him in the fixing of the amount, interest rate, duration, or other terms or conditions of such loan or other financial assistance, because of the race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap of such person or of any person associated with him in connection with such loan or other financial assistance or the purposes of such loan or other financial assistance, or of the present or prospective owners, lessees, tenants, or occupants of the dwelling or dwellings in relation to which such loan or other financial assistance is to be made or given: Provided, that nothing contained in the section shall impair the scope or effectiveness of the exception contained in section 5-503 (2). (as added by ord. #15, § 5, April 1991)
5-506. Discrimination in the provision of brokerage services. It shall be unlawful to deny any person access to or membership or participation in any multiple listing service, real estate brokers organization or other service, organization, or facility relating to the business of selling or renting dwellings, or to discriminate against him in the terms of conditions of such access, membership, or participation, on account of race, color, religion, sex national origin, familial status or handicap. (as added by ord. #15, § 6, April 1991)

5-507. Exemption. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a religious organization, association, or society, or any non-profit institution or organization operated, supervised or controlled by or in conjunction with a religious organization, association, or society, from limiting the sale, rental or occupancy of dwellings which it owns or operates for other than a commercial purpose to persons of the same religion, or from giving preference to such persons, unless membership in such religion is restricted on account of race, color, sex, national origin, familial status or handicap. Nor shall anything in this chapter prohibit a private club not in fact open to the public, which as an incident to its primary purpose or purposes provides lodgings which it owns or operates for other than a commercial purpose, from limiting the rental or occupancy of such lodgings to its members or from giving preference to its members. (as added by ord. #15, § 7, April 1991)

5-508. Administration. (1) The authority and responsibility for administering this act shall be in the Mayor of the City of Maury City.

(2) The mayor may delegate any of these functions, duties, and powers to employees of the community or the boards of such employees, including functions, duties, and powers with respect to investigating, conciliating, hearing, determining, ordering, certifying, reporting or otherwise acting as to any work, business, or matter under this chapter. The mayor by rule shall prescribe such rights of appeal from the decisions of his hearing examiners to other hearing examiners or to other officers in the community, to boards of officers or to himself, as shall be appropriate and in accordance with law.

(3) All executive departments and agencies shall administer their programs and activities relating to housing and urban development in a manner affirmatively to further the purposes of this chapter and shall cooperate with the mayor to further such purposes. (as added by ord. #15, § 8, April 1991)

5-509. Education and conciliation. Immediately after the enactment of this chapter, the mayor shall commence such educational and conciliatory activities as will further the purposes of this chapter. He shall call conferences of persons in the housing industry and other interested parties to acquaint them with the provisions of this chapter and his suggested means of implementing it,
and shall endeavor with their advise to work out programs of voluntary compliance and of enforcement. (as added by ord. #15, § 9, April 1991)

5-510. Enforcement. (1) Any person who claims to have been injured by a discriminatory housing practice or who believes that he will be irrevocably injured by a discriminatory housing practice that is about to occur (hereafter "person aggrieved") may file a complaint with the mayor. Complaints shall be in writing and shall contain such information and be in such form as the mayor requires. Upon receipt of such a complaint, the mayor shall furnish a copy of the same to the person or persons who allegedly committed or is about to commit the alleged discriminatory housing practice. Within thirty days after receiving a complaint, or within thirty days after the expiration of any period of reference under subsection (3), the mayor will investigate the complaint and give notice in writing to the person aggrieved whether he intends to resolve it. If the mayor decides to resolve the complaints, he shall proceed to try to eliminate or correct the alleged discriminatory housing practice by information methods of conference, conciliation, and persuasion. Nothing said or done in the course of such informal endeavors may be made public or used as evidence in a subsequent proceeding under this chapter without the written consent of the persons concerned. Any employee of the mayor who shall make public any information in violation of this provision shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year.

(2) A complaint under subsection (1) shall be filed within one hundred and eighty days after the alleged discriminatory housing practice occurred. Complaints shall be in writing and shall state the facts upon which the allegations of a discriminatory housing practice are based. Complaints may be reasonably and fairly amended at any time. A respondent may file an answer to the complaint against him and with the leave of the mayor, which shall be granted whenever it would be reasonable and fair to do so, may amend his answer at any time. Both complaints and answers shall be verified.

(3) If within thirty days after a complaint is filed with the mayor, the mayor has been unable to obtain voluntary compliance with this chapter, the person aggrieved may, within thirty days thereafter, file a complaint with the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The mayor will assist in the filing.

(4) If the mayor has been unable to obtain voluntary compliance within thirty days of the complaint, the person aggrieved may, within thirty days hereafter commence a civil action in any appropriate court, against the respondent named in the complaint, to enforce the rights granted or protected by this chapter, insofar as such rights relate to the subject of the complaint. If the court finds that a discriminatory housing practice has occurred or is about
to occur, the court may enjoin the respondent from engaging in such practice or order such affirmative action as may be appropriate.

(5) In any proceeding brought pursuant to this section, the burden of proof shall be on the complaint.

(6) Whenever an action filed by an individual shall come to trial, the mayor shall immediately terminate all efforts to obtain voluntary compliance.

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5-511. Investigations; subpoenas; giving of evidence. (1) In conducting an investigation, the mayor shall have access at all reasonable times to premises, records, documents, individuals, and other evidence or possible sources of evidence and may examine, record, and copy such materials and take and record the testimony or statements or such persons as are reasonably necessary for the furtherance of the investigation: Provided, however, that the mayor first complies with the provisions of the Fourth Amendment relating to unreasonable searches and seizures. The mayor may issue subpoenas to compel his access to or the production of such materials, or the appearance of such persons, and may issue interrogatories to a respondent, to the same extent and subject to the same limitations as would apply if the subpoenas or interrogatories were issued or served in aid of a civil-action in the United States district court of the district in which the investigation is taking place. The mayor may administer oaths.

(2) Upon written application to the mayor, a respondent shall be entitled to the issuance of a reasonable number of subpoenas by and in the name of the mayor to the same extent and subject to the same limitations as subpoenas issued by the mayor himself. Subpoenas issued at the request of a respondent shall show on their face the name and address of such respondent and shall state that they were issued at his request.

(3) Witnesses summoned by subpoena of the mayor shall be entitled to the same witness and mileage fees as are witnesses in proceedings in United States district courts. Fees payable to the witness summoned by a subpoena issued at the request of a respondent shall be paid by him.

(4) Within five days after service of a subpoena upon any person, such person may petition the mayor to revoke or modify the subpoena. The mayor shall grant the petition if he finds that the subpoena requires appearance or attendance at an unreasonable time or place, that it requires production of evidence which does not relate to any matter under investigation, that it does not describe with sufficient particularity the evidence to be produced, that compliance would be unduly onerous, or for other good reason.

(5) In case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena, the mayor or other person at whose request it was issued may petition for its enforcement in
the municipal or state court for the district in which the person to whom the subpoena was addressed resides, was served, or transacts business.

(6) Any person who willfully fails or neglects to attend and testify or to answer any lawful inquiry or to produce records, documents, or other evidence, if in his power to do so, in obedience to the subpoena or lawful order of the mayor shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both. Any person who, with intent thereby to mislead the mayor, shall make or cause to be made any false entry or statement or fact in any report, account, record, or other document submitted to the mayor pursuant to his subpoena or such reports, accounts, records, or other documents, or shall willfully mutilate, alter, or by any other means falsify any documentary evidence, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

(7) The city attorney shall conduct all litigation in which the mayor participates as a party or as amicus pursuant to this chapter. (as added by ord. #15, § 11, April 1991)

5-512. Enforcement by private persons. (1) The rights granted by sections 5-503, 5-504, 5-505, and 5-506, may be enforced by civil actions in state or local courts of general jurisdiction. A civil action shall be commenced within one hundred and eighty days after the alleged discriminatory housing practice occurred: Provided, however, that the court shall continue such civil case brought to this section or section 5-510 (4) from time to time before bringing it to trial or renting dwellings; or

(2) any person because he is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from:

(a) participating, without discrimination on account of race, color, religion or national origin, in any of the activities, services, organizations or facilities; or

(b) affording another person or class of persons opportunity or protection so to participate, or

(3) any citizen because he is or has been, or in order to discourage such citizen or any other citizen from lawfully aiding or encouraging other persons to participate, without discrimination on account of race, color, religion or national origin, in any of the activities, services, organizations or facilities, or participating lawfully in speech or peaceful assembly opposing any denial of the opportunity to so participate shall be fined not more than $1,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both; and, if bodily injury results, shall be fined not more that $10,000, or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and, if death results, shall be subject to imprisonment for any term of years or for life. (as added by ord. #15, § 12, April 1991)
TITLE 6

FINANCE AND TAXATION

CHAPTER

1. REAL PROPERTY TAXES.
2. PRIVILEGE TAXES.
3. WHOLESALE BEER TAX.

CHAPTER 1

REAL PROPERTY TAXES

SECTION

6-101. When due and payable.
6-102. When delinquent—penalty and interest.

6-101. When due and payable. Taxes levied by the municipality against real property shall become due and payable annually on the first day of October of the year for which levied.

6-102. When delinquent—penalty and interest. All real property taxes shall become delinquent on and after the first day of March next after they become due and payable and shall thereupon be subject to such penalty and interest as is authorized and prescribed by the state law for delinquent county real property taxes.
CHAPTER 2

PRIVILEGE TAXES

SECTION

6-201. Tax levied.
6-202. License required.

6-201. **Tax levied.** Except as otherwise specifically provided in this code, there is hereby levied on all vocations, occupations, and businesses declared by the general laws of the state to be privileges taxable by municipalities, an annual privilege tax in the maximum amount allowed by said state laws. The taxes provided for in the state's "Business Tax Act" (title 67, chapter 58, Tennessee Code Annotated) are hereby expressly enacted, ordained, and levied on the businesses, business activities, vocations, and occupations carried on within the town at the rates and in the manner prescribed by the said act.

6-202. **License required.** No person shall exercise any such privilege within the town without a currently effective privilege license, which shall be issued by the recorder to each applicant therefor upon such applicant's payment of the appropriate privilege tax.
CHAPTER 3

WHOLESALE BEER TAX

SECTION
6-301. To be collected.

6-301. To be collected. The recorder is hereby directed to take appropriate action to assure payment to the town of the wholesale beer tax levied by the "Wholesale Beer Tax Act," as set out in chapter 6 of title 57, Tennessee Code Annotated.
TITLE 7

FIRE PROTECTION, FIREWORKS, AND EXPLOSIVES

CHAPTER
1. MISCELLANEOUS.
2. FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHAPTER 1

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION
7-101. Storage of explosives.

7-101. Storage of explosives. The storage of explosives and blasting agents at any location within the corporate limits is prohibited.
CHAPTER 2

FIRE DEPARTMENT

SECTION

7-201. Establishment, equipment, and membership.
7-203. Organization, rules, and regulations.
7-204. Records and reports.
7-205. Tenure and compensation of members.
7-206. Chief responsible for training and maintenance.
7-207. Equipment to be used only within corporate limits generally.
7-208. Chief to be assistant to state officer.

7-201. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the board of mayor and aldermen. All apparatus, equipment, and supplies shall be purchased by or through the town and shall be and remain the property of the town. The fire department shall be composed of a chief appointed by the board of mayor and aldermen and such number of physically-fit subordinate officers and firemen as the chief shall appoint.

7-202. Objectives. The fire department shall have as its objectives:
(1) To prevent uncontrolled fires from starting.
(2) To prevent the loss of life and property because of fires.
(3) To confine fires to their places of origin.
(4) To extinguish uncontrolled fires.
(5) To prevent loss of life from asphyxiation or drowning.
(6) To perform such rescue work as its equipment and/or the training of its personnel makes practicable.

7-203. Organization, rules, and regulations. The chief of the fire department shall set up the organization of the department, make definite assignments to individuals, and shall formulate and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the fire department.

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For special privileges with respect to traffic, see title 9, chapter 1, in this code.
7-204. **Records and reports.** The chief of the fire department shall keep adequate records of all fires, inspections, apparatus, equipment, personnel, and work of the department. He shall submit a written report on such matters to the mayor once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made.

7-205. **Tenure and compensation of members.** The chief shall hold office so long as his conduct and efficiency are satisfactory to the board of mayor and aldermen. However, so that adequate discipline may be maintained, the chief shall have the authority to suspend or discharge any other member of the fire department when he deems such action to be necessary for the good of the department. The chief may be suspended up to thirty (30) days by the mayor but may be dismissed only by the board of mayor and aldermen.

All personnel of the fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the board of mayor and aldermen may from time to time prescribe.

7-206. **Chief responsible for training and maintenance.** The chief of the fire department shall be fully responsible for the training of the firemen and for maintenance of all property and equipment of the fire department. The minimum training shall consist of having the personnel take the fire apparatus out for practice operations not less than once a month.

7-207. **Equipment to be used only within corporate limits generally.** No equipment of the fire department shall be used for fighting any fire outside the corporate limits unless such fire is on town owned property or, in the opinion of the chief of the fire department, is in such hazardous proximity to property owned by or located within the town as to endanger such town property or unless expressly authorized in writing by the board of mayor and aldermen.

7-208. **Chief to be assistant to state officer.** Pursuant to requirements of **Tennessee Code Annotated**, section 68-17-108, the chief of the fire department is designated as an assistant to the state commissioner of insurance and is subject to all the duties and obligations imposed by **Tennessee Code Annotated**, title 68, chapter 17, and shall be subject to the directions of the commissioner in the execution of the provisions thereof.
For specific health and sanitation provisions elsewhere in this code with respect to the following, see the references indicated:

(1) Animals and fowls, title 3.
(2) Littering streets, etc., section 12-107.
(3) Toilet facilities in beer places, section 2-212(13).

For provisions relating to the replacement of sewer clean out access plugs, see section 8-513 of this municipal code.
8-102. Adulterated food, drugs, and cosmetics. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this section for any person to violate within this town any provisions of the state food, drug, and cosmetic laws.

8-103. Communicable diseases. When there exists or is suspected to exist in any household a communicable disease other than a venereal disease or a common childhood disease, it shall be the duty of any attending physician and the head or other responsible person in such household possessing knowledge of the facts to notify immediately the health officer. The health officer shall thereupon make such investigation and issue such quarantine orders as may reasonably be necessary to protect the public health. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any such orders of the health officer.

8-104. House trailers. It shall be unlawful for any person to park, locate, or occupy any house trailer or portable building unless it complies with all standards fixed by ordinance, rules or regulations of the town and unless notice has been served upon the town recorder of the intent to park, locate, or occupy any house trailer or portable building within the corporate limits.

8-105. Smoke, soot, cinders, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or cause the escape of such quantities of dense smoke, soot, cinders, noxious acids, fumes, dust, or gases as to be detrimental to or to endanger the health, comfort, and safety of the public or so as to cause or have a tendency to cause injury or damage to property or business.

8-106. Stagnant water. It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to allow any pool of stagnant water to accumulate and stand on his property without treating it so as effectively to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.

8-107. Weeds. Every owner of property shall periodically cut, or cause to be cut, the grass and other vegetation commonly recognized as weeds on all his property, whether or not such owner personally occupies such property, when it has reached a height of one foot or more, and it shall be unlawful for any person to fail to comply with an order by the board to cut or cause to be cut, such vegetation, when it has reached a height of one foot or more, within ten days after receipt of notice of such an order; and,

Should said owner fail to comply with such order within the ten day period, the board may authorize some person or persons as it may designate or some city employee, to enter upon the premises and cut such vegetation and the cost thereof, if not paid by the owner within ten days from such cutting, shall be assessed against the property and collected in the same manner as property taxes.
If the property in question is occupied by a tenant, notice of the board of its order to cut such vegetation will also be given to the tenant and he shall also have a duty to cut, or cause to be cut, such vegetation within ten days from date of such notice and it is unlawful for such tenant to fail to comply therewith; and, Failure to comply with such an order of the board within the ten day period, shall be unlawful and shall be an unlawful breach of this section on the part of both the owner and the tenant and shall subject both of them to punishment by fine as provided by section 5 of ordinance 4, which provision, by reference, is made a part hereof as fully as if copied here verbatim.

Each day such vegetation remains uncut, subsequent to the date required by the order, shall constitute a separate and additional offense and shall be punishable as aforesaid against both the owner and tenant. (as replaced by Ord. #96-01(A), July 1996)

8-108. Dead animals. Any person owning or having possession of any dead animal not intended for use as food shall promptly bury the same or notify the health officer and dispose of such animal in such manner as the health officer shall direct.

8-109. Health and sanitation nuisances. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any premises owned, occupied, or controlled by him to become or remain in a filthy condition, or permit the use or occupation of same in such a manner as to create noxious or offensive smells and odors in connection therewith, or to allow the accumulation or creation of unwholesome and offensive matter or the breeding of flies, rodents, or other vermin on the premises to the menace of the public health or the annoyance of people residing within the vicinity.

8-110. Junk yards.\(^1\) All junk yards within the corporate limits shall be operated and maintained subject to the following regulations:

(1) All junk stored or kept in such yards shall be so kept that it will not catch and hold water in which mosquitoes may breed and so that it will not constitute a place or places in which rats, mice, or other vermin may be harbored, reared, or propagated.

(2) All such junk yards shall be enclosed within close fitting plank or metal solid fences touching the ground on the bottom and being not less than six

\(^1\)The provisions of this section were taken substantially from the Bristol ordinance upheld by the Tennessee Court of Appeals as being a reasonable and valid exercise of the police power in the case of Hagaman v. Slaughter, 49 Tenn. App. 338, 354 S.W.2d 818 (1961).
(6) feet in height, such fence to be built so that it will be impossible for stray cats and/or stray dogs to have access to such junk yards.

(3) Such yards shall be so maintained as to be in a sanitary condition and so as not to be a menace to the public health or safety.
CHAPTER 2

REFUSE

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8-201. Refuse defined. Refuse shall mean and include garbage, rubbish, leaves, brush, and refuse as those terms are generally defined except that dead animals and fowls, body wastes, hot ashes, rocks, concrete, bricks, and similar materials are expressly excluded therefrom and shall not be stored therewith.

8-202. Premises to be kept clean. All persons within the town are required to keep their premises in a clean and sanitary condition, free from accumulations of refuse except when stored as provided in this chapter.

8-203. Storage. Each owner, occupant, or other responsible person using or occupying any building or other premises within this municipality where refuse accumulates or is likely to accumulate, shall provide and keep covered an adequate number of refuse containers. The refuse containers shall be strong, durable, and rodent and insect proof. They shall each have a capacity of not less than twenty (20) nor more than thirty-two (32) gallons, except that this maximum capacity shall not apply to larger containers which the town handles mechanically. Furthermore, except for containers which the town handles mechanically, the combined weight of any refuse container and its contents shall not exceed seventy-five (75) pounds. No refuse shall be placed in a refuse container until such refuse has been drained of all free liquids. Tree trimmings, hedge clippings, and similar materials shall be cut to a length not to exceed four (4) feet and shall be securely tied in individual bundles weighing not more than seventy-five (75) pounds each and being not more than two (2) feet thick before being deposited for collection.

8-204. Location of containers. Where alleys are used by the municipal refuse collectors, containers shall be placed on or within six (6) feet of the alley line in such a position as not to intrude upon the traveled portion of the alley.
Where streets are used by the town refuse collectors, containers shall be placed adjacent to and back of the curb, or adjacent to and back of the ditch or street line if there be no curb, at such times as shall be scheduled by the town for the collection of refuse therefrom. As soon as practicable after such containers have been emptied they shall be removed by the owner to within, or to the rear of, his premises and away from the street line until the next scheduled time for collection.

8-205. **Disturbing containers.** No unauthorized person shall uncover, rifle, pilfer, dig into, turn over, or in any other manner disturb or use any refuse container belonging to another. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the use of public refuse containers for their intended purpose.

8-206. **Collection.** All refuse accumulated within the corporate limits shall be collected, conveyed, and disposed of under the supervision of such officer as the board of mayor and aldermen shall designate. Collections shall be made regularly in accordance with an announced schedule.

8-207. **Collection vehicles.** The collection of refuse shall be by means of vehicles with beds constructed of impervious materials which are easily cleanable and so constructed that there will be no leakage of liquids draining from the refuse onto the streets and alleys. Furthermore, all refuse collection vehicles shall utilize closed beds or such coverings as will effectively prevent the scattering of refuse over the streets or alleys.

8-208. **Disposal.** The disposal of refuse in any quantity by any person in any place, public or private, other than at the site or sites designated for refuse disposal by the board of mayor and aldermen is expressly prohibited.
CHAPTER 3

SEWAGE AND HUMAN EXCRETA DISPOSAL¹

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8-312. Enforcement of chapter.
8-313. Carnivals, circuses, etc.
8-314. Violations.

8-301. Definitions. The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation of this chapter.

(1) Health officer. The person duly appointed to such position having jurisdiction, or any person or persons authorized to act as his agent.

(2) Human excreta. The bowel and kidney discharges of human beings.

(3) Sewage. All water-carried human and household wastes from residences, buildings, or industrial establishments.

(4) Approved septic tank system. A watertight covered receptacle of monolithic concrete, either precast or cast in place, constructed according to plans approved by the health officer. Such tanks shall have a capacity of not less than 750 gallons and in the case of homes with more than two (2) bedrooms the capacity of the tank shall be in accordance with the recommendations of the Tennessee Department of Public Health as provided for in its 1967 bulletin entitled "Recommended Guide for Location, Design, and Construction of Septic Tanks and Disposal Fields." A minimum liquid depth of four (4) feet should be provided with a minimum depth of air space above the liquid of one (1) foot. The septic tank dimensions should be such that the length from inlet to outlet

¹For provisions governing water service administration, see title 13, chapter 1, this code.
is at least twice but not more than three (3) times the width. The liquid depth should not exceed five (5) feet. The discharge from the septic tank shall be disposed of in such a manner that it may not create a nuisance on the surface of the ground or pollute the underground water supply, and such disposal shall be in accordance with recommendations of the health officer as determined by acceptable soil percolation data.

(5) Sanitary pit privy. A privy having a fly-tight floor and seat over an excavation in earth, located and constructed in such a manner that flies and animals will be excluded, surface water may not enter the pit, and danger of pollution of the surface of the ground or the underground water supply will be prevented.

(6) Other approved method of sewage disposal. Any privy, chemical toilet, or other toilet device (other than a septic tank, or sanitary pit privy as described above) the type, location, and construction of which have been approved by the health officer.

(7) Watercourse. Any natural or artificial drain which conveys water either continuously or intermittently.

8-302. Places required to have sanitary disposal methods. Every residence, building, or place where human beings reside, assemble, or are employed within the corporate limits shall be required to have a sanitary method for disposal of sewage and human excreta.

8-303. When a septic tank shall be used. Wherever water-carried sewage facilities are installed and their use is permitted by the health officer, and an accessible sewer does not exist, the wastes from such facilities shall be discharged into an approved septic tank system.

No septic tank or other water-carried sewage disposal system shall be installed without the approval of the health officer or his duly appointed representative. The design, layout, and construction of such systems shall be in accordance with specifications approved by the health officer and the installation shall be under the general supervision of the department of health.

8-304. Registration and records of septic tank cleaners, etc. Every person, firm, or corporation who operates equipment for the purpose of removing digested sludge from septic tanks, cesspools, privies, and other sewage disposal installations on private or public property must register with the health officer and furnish such records of work done within the corporate limits as may be deemed necessary by the health officer.

8-305. Use of pit privy or other method of disposal. Wherever a sanitary method of human excreta disposal is required under section 8-302 and
water-carried sewage facilities are not used, a sanitary pit privy or other approved method of disposal shall be provided.

8-306. **Approval and permit required for septic tanks, privies, etc.** Any person, firm, or corporation proposing to construct a septic tank system, privy, or other sewage disposal facility, requiring the approval of the health officer under this chapter, shall before the initiation of construction obtain the approval of the health officer for the design and location of the system and secure a permit from the health officer for such system.

8-307. **Owner to provide disposal facilities.** It shall be the duty of the owner of any property upon which facilities for sanitary sewage or human excreta disposal are required by section 8-302, or the agent of the owner, to provide such facilities.

8-308. **Occupant to maintain disposal facilities.** It shall be the duty of the occupant, tenant, lessee, or other person in charge to maintain the facilities for sewage disposal in a clean and sanitary condition at all times, and no refuse or other material which may unduly fill up, clog, or otherwise interfere with the operation of such facilities shall be deposited therein.

8-309. **Only specified methods of disposal to be used.** No sewage or human excreta shall be thrown out, deposited, buried, or otherwise disposed of except by a sanitary method of disposal as specified in this chapter.

8-310. **Discharge into watercourses restricted.** No sewage or excreta shall be discharged or deposited into any lake or watercourse except under conditions specified by the health officer and specifically authorized by the Tennessee Stream Pollution Control Board.

8-311. **Pollution of ground water prohibited.** No sewage effluent from a septic tank, sewage treatment plant, or discharges from any plumbing facility shall empty into any well, cistern, sinkhole, crevice, ditch, or other opening, either natural or artificial, in any formation which may permit the pollution of ground water.

8-312. **Enforcement of chapter.** It shall be the duty of the health officer to make an inspection of the methods of disposal of sewage and human excreta as often as is considered necessary to insure full compliance with the terms of this chapter. Written notification of any violation shall be given by the health officer to the person or persons responsible for the correction of the condition, and correction shall be made within forty-five (45) days after notification. If the
health officer shall advise any person that the method by which human excreta and sewage is being disposed of constitutes an immediate and serious menace to health, such person shall at once take steps to remove the menace. Failure to remove such menace immediately shall be punishable under the general penalty clause for this code. However, such person shall be allowed the number of days herein provided within which to make permanent correction.

8-313. Carnivals, circuses, etc. Whenever carnivals, circuses, or other transient groups of persons come within the corporate limits, such groups of transients shall provide a sanitary method for disposal of sewage and human excreta. Failure of a carnival, circus, or other transient group to provide such sanitary method of disposal and to make all reasonable changes and corrections proposed by the health officer shall constitute a violation of this section. In these cases the violator shall not be entitled to the notice of forty-five (45) days provided for in the preceding section.

8-314. Violations. Any person, persons, firm, association, or corporation or agent thereof, who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable under the general penalty clause for this code.
CHAPTER 4

CROSS CONNECTIONS, AUXILIARY INTAKES, ETC.\(^1\)

SECTION
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8-408. Use of protective devices.
8-409. Unpotable water to be labeled.
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8-401. Definitions. The following definitions and terms shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this chapter:

1. **Public water supply.** The waterworks system furnishing water to the city for general use and which supply is recognized as the public water supply by the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment.

2. **Cross connection.** Any physical arrangement whereby a public water supply is connected, directly or indirectly, with any other water supply system, sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, plumbing fixture, or other device which contains, or may contain, contaminated water, sewage, or other waste or liquid of unknown or unsafe quality which may be capable of imparting contamination to the public water supply as a result of backflow. By-pass arrangements, jumper connections, removable sections, swivel or changeover devices through which, or because of which, backflow could occur are considered to be cross-connections.

3. **Auxiliary intake.** Any piping connection or other device whereby water may be secured from a source other than that normally used.

4. **Bypass.** Any system of piping or other arrangement whereby the water may be diverted around any part or portion of a water purification plant.

5. **Interconnection.** Any system of piping or other arrangement whereby the public water supply is connected directly with a sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, or other device which does or may contain

\(^1\)Cross references
Water and sewer system administration: title 13.
sewage or other waste or liquid which would be capable of imparting contamination to the public water supply.

(6) Person. Any and all persons, natural or artificial, including any individual, firm, or association, and any municipal or private corporation organized or existing under the laws of this or any other state or country. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-402. Standards. The municipal public water supply is to comply with Tennessee Code Annotated, sections 68-13-701 through 68-13-719 as well as the Rules and Regulations for Public Water Supplies, legally adopted in accordance with this code, which pertain to cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, and interconnections, and establish an effective ongoing program to control these undesirable water uses. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-403. Construction, operation, and supervision. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause a cross connection to be made, or allow one to exist for any purpose whatsoever, unless the construction and operation of same have been approved by the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment and the operation of such cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass or interconnection is at all times under the direct supervision of the superintendent or his representative. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-404. Statement required. Any person whose premises are supplied with water from the public water supply and who also has on the same premises a separate source of water supply, or stores water in an uncovered or unsanitary storage reservoir from which the water stored therein is circulated through a piping system, shall file with the superintendent a statement of the non-existence of unapproved or unauthorized cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections. Such statement shall also contain an agreement that no cross connection, auxiliary intake, bypass, or interconnection will be permitted upon the premises. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-405. Inspections required. It shall be the duty of the superintendent to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply are deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspection, based on potential health hazards involved, shall be established by the superintendent and as approved by the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-406. Right of entry for inspections. The superintendent or his authorized representative shall have the right to enter, at any reasonable time,
any property served by a connection to the public water supply for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems therein for cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections. On request, the owner, lessee, or occupant of any property so served shall furnish to the inspection agency any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of such information or refusal of access, when requested, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connections. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-407. Correction of existing violations. Any person who now has cross connections, auxiliary intakes, bypasses, or interconnections in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be allowed a reasonable time within which to comply with the provisions of this chapter. After a thorough investigation of existing conditions and an appraisal of the time required to complete the work, the amount of time shall be designated by the superintendent.

The failure to correct conditions threatening the safety of the public water system as prohibited by this chapter and the Tennessee Code Annotated, section 68-13-711, within a reasonable time and within the time limits set by the superintendent shall be grounds for denial of water service. If proper protection has not been provided after a reasonable time, the superintendent shall give the customer legal notification that water service is to be discontinued and shall physically separate the public water supply from the customer's on-site piping system in such a manner that the two systems cannot again be connected by an unauthorized person.

Where cross connections, interconnections, auxiliary intakes, or bypasses are found that constitute an extreme hazard of immediate concern of contaminating the public water system, the management of the water supply shall require that immediate corrective action be taken to eliminate the threat to the public water system. Immediate steps shall be taken to disconnect the public water supply from the on-site piping system unless the imminent hazard(s) is (are) corrected immediately. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-408. Use of protective devices. Where the nature of use of the water supplied a premises by the water department is such that it is deemed (a) impractical to provide an effective air-gap separation, (b) that the owner and/or occupant of the premises cannot, or is not willing, to demonstrate to the superintendent, or his designated representative, that the water use and protective features of the plumbing are such as to propose no threat to the safety or potability of the water supply, (c) that the nature and mode of operation within a premises are such that frequent alterations are made to the plumbing, (d) there is a likelihood that protective measures may be subverted, altered, or disconnected, the superintendent or his designated representative, shall require
the use of an approved protective device on the service line serving the premises to assure that any contamination that may originate in the customer's premises is contained therein. The protective device shall be a reduced pressure zone type backflow preventer approved by the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment as to manufacture, model, and size. The method of installation of backflow protective devices shall be approved by the superintendent prior to installation and shall comply with the criteria set forth by the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment. The installation shall be at the expense of the owner or occupant of the premises.

Personnel of the municipal public water supply shall have the right to inspect and test the device or devices on an annual basis or whenever deemed necessary by the superintendent or his designated representative. Water service shall not be disrupted to test the device without the knowledge of the occupant of the premises.

Where the use of water is critical to the continuance of normal operations or protection of life, property, or equipment, duplicate units shall be provided to avoid the necessity of discontinuing water service to test or repair the protective device or devices. Where it is found that only one unit has been installed and the continuance of service is critical, the superintendent shall notify, in writing, the occupant of the premises of plans to discontinue water service and arrange for a mutually acceptable time to test and/or repair the device. The superintendent shall require the occupant of the premises to make all repairs indicated promptly, to keep the unit(s) working properly, and the expense of such repairs shall be borne by the owner or occupant of the premises. Repairs shall be made by qualified personnel acceptable to the superintendent.

The failure to maintain backflow prevention devices in proper working order shall be grounds for discontinuing water service to a premises. Likewise, the removal, bypassing, or altering of the protective devices or the installation thereof so as to render the devices ineffective shall constitute grounds for discontinuance of water service. Water service to such premises shall not be restored until the customer has corrected or eliminated such conditions or defects to the satisfaction of the superintendent. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-409. Unpotable water to be labeled. In order that the potable water supply made available to premises served by the public water supply shall be protected from possible contamination as specified herein, any water outlet which could be used for potable or domestic purposes and which is not supplied by the potable system must be labeled in a conspicuous manner as:

WATER UNSAFE
FOR DRINKING
The minimum acceptable sign shall have black letters at least one-inch high located on a red background. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)

8-410. Violations. The requirements contained herein shall apply to all premises served by the city water system whether located inside or outside the corporate limits and are hereby made a part of the conditions required to be met for the city to provide water services to any premises. Such action, being essential for the protection of the water distribution system against the entrance of contamination which may render the water unsafe healthwise, or otherwise undesirable, shall be enforced rigidly without regard to location of the premises, whether inside or outside the corporate limits.

Any person who neglects or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction therefor, shall be fined under the general penalty clause for this municipal code of ordinances. (as replaced by ord. No. 9)
CHAPTER 5

SEWER USE ORDINANCE

SECTION
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8-501. Purpose and policy. This chapter sets forth uniform requirements for the disposal of wastewater in the service area of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee, wastewater treatment system. The objectives of this chapter are:

(1) To protect the public health;
(2) To provide problem free wastewater collection and treatment service;
(3) To prevent the introduction of pollutants into the municipal wastewater treatment system, which will interfere with the system operation, will cause the town’s discharge to violate its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit or other applicable state requirements will cause physical damage to the wastewater treatment system facilities;
(4) To provide for full and equitable distribution of the cost of the wastewater treatment system;
(5) To enable the Town of Maury City to comply with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the General Pretreatment Regulations (40 CFR Part 403), and other applicable federal and state laws and regulations;
(6) To improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewaters and sludges from the wastewater treatment system.

\[1\text{See title 13, chapter 5 for User Charge System for Wastewater Treatment Facilities.}\]
In meeting these objectives, this chapter provides that all persons in the service area of the Town of Maury City must have adequate wastewater treatment either in the form of a connection to the municipal wastewater treatment system or, where the system is not available, an appropriate private disposal system. The chapter also provides for the issuance of permits to system users, for the regulations of wastewater discharge volume and characteristics, for monitoring and enforcement activities; and for the setting of fees for the full and equitable distribution of costs resulting from the operation, maintenance, and capital recovery of the wastewater treatment system and from other activities required by the enforcement and administrative program established herein.

This chapter shall apply to the Town of Maury City and to persons outside the town who are, by contract or agreement with the town users of the municipal wastewater treatment system. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Water and Sewer Superintendent of the Town of Maury City shall administer, implement, and enforce the provisions of this chapter. (as added by ord. #13, § 1, Dec. 1990)

8-502. Definitions. Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the following terms and phrases, as used in this chapter, shall have the meanings hereinafter designated:

(1) "Act or the Act." The Federal Water Pollution Control Act, also known as the Clean Water Act, as amended 33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq.
(2) "Approval authority." The director in an NPDES state with an approved State Pretreatment Program and the Administrator of the EPA in a non-NPDES state or NPDES state without an Approved State Pretreatment Program.
(3) "Authorized representative of industrial user." An authorized representative of an industrial user may be:
   (a) a principal executive officer of at least the level of vice-president, if the industrial user is a corporation;
   (b) a general partner or proprietor if the industrial user is a partnership or proprietorship, respectively;
   (c) a duly authorized representative of the individual designated above if such representative is responsible for the overall operation of the facilities from which the indirect discharge originates.
(4) "Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)." The quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure for five (5) days at 20 centigrade expressed in terms of weight and concentration (milligrams per liter (mg/l)).
(5) "Building sewer." A sewer conveying wastewater from the premises of a user to the POTW.
(6) "Categorical standards." The National Categorical Pretreatment Standards or Pretreatment Standard.

(7) "Compatible pollutant." Shall mean BOD, suspended solids, pH, fecal coliform bacteria, and such additional pollutants as are now or may in the future be specified and controlled in the town's NPDES permit for its wastewater treatment works where sewer works have been designed and used to reduce or remove such pollutants.

(8) "Cooling water." The water discharged from any use such as air conditioning, cooling, or refrigeration, or to which the only pollutant added is heat.

(9) "Control authority." The term "control authority" shall refer to the "Approval authority," defined hereinabove; or the superintendent if the town has an approved Pretreatment Program under the provisions of 40 CFR, 403.11.

(10) "Customer." means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or group who receives sewer service from the town under either an express or implied contract requiring payment to the town for such service.

(11) "Direct discharge." The discharge of treated or untreated wastewater directly to the waters of the State of Tennessee.

(12) "Domestic wastewater." Wastewater that is generated by a single family, apartment or other dwelling unit or dwelling unit equivalent containing sanitary facilities for the disposal of wastewater and used for residential or commercial purposes only.

(13) "Environmental Protection Agency, or EPA." The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, or where appropriate, the term may also be used as a designation for the administrator or other duly authorized official of the said agency.

(14) "Garbage." shall mean solid wastes generated from any domestic and commercial preparation, cooking, and dispensing of food, and from the handling, storage, or sale of produce.

(15) "Grab sample." A sample which is taken from a waste stream on a one-time basis with no regard to the flow in the waste stream and without consideration of time.

(16) "Holding tank waste." Any waste from holding tanks such as vessels, chemical toilets, campers, trailers, septic tanks, and vacuum-pump tank trucks.

(17) "Incompatible pollutant." shall mean any pollutant which is not a "compatible pollutant" as defined in this section.

(18) "Indirect discharge." The discharge or the introduction of non-domestic pollutants from any source regulated under Section 307(b) or (c) of the Act, (33 U.S.C. 1317), into the POTW (including holding tank waste discharged into the system).
(19) "Industrial user." A source of indirect discharge which does not constitute a "discharge of pollutants" under regulations issued pursuant to Section 402, of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1342).

(20) "Interference." The inhibition or disruption of the municipal wastewater processes or operations which contributes to a violation of any requirement of the town's NPDES permit. The term includes prevention of sewage sludge use or disposal by the POTW in accordance with 405 of the Act, (33 U.S.C. 1345) or any criteria, guidelines, or regulations developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act (SWDA), the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or more stringent state criteria (including those contained in any state sludge management plan prepared pursuant to Title IV of SWDA) applicable to the method of disposal or use employed by the municipal wastewater treatment system.

(21) "National categorical pretreatment standard or pretreatment standard." Any regulation containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the EPA in accordance with Section 307(b) and (c) of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1347) which applies to a specific category of industrial users.

(22) "NPDES (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System)." shall mean the program for issuing, conditioning, and denying permits for the discharge of pollutants from point sources into navigable waters, the contiguous zone, and the oceans pursuant to Section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended.

(23) "New source." Any source, the construction of which is commenced after the publication of proposed regulations prescribing a Section 307(c) (33 U.S.C. 1317) categorical pretreatment standard which will be applicable to such source, if such standard is thereafter promulgated within 120 days of proposal in the Federal Register. Where the standard is promulgated later than 120 days after proposal, a new source means any source, the construction of which is commenced after the date of promulgation of the standard.

(24) "Person." Any individual, partnership, co-partnership, firm, company, corporation, association, joint stock company, trust, estate, governmental entity or any other legal entity, or their legal representatives, agents, or assigns. The masculine gender shall include the feminine, the singular shall include the plural where indicated by the context.

(25) "pH." The logarithm (base 10) of the reciprocal of the concentration of hydrogen ions expressed in grams per liter of solution.

(26) "Pollution." The man-made or man-induced alteration of the chemical, physical, biological, and radiological integrity of water.

(27) "Pollutant." Any dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials, heat, wrecked or discharged equipment, rock,
sand, cellar dirt, and industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste discharged into water.

(28) "Pretreatment or treatment." The reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants, or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater to a less harmful state prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into a POTW. The reduction or alteration can be obtained by physical, chemical, biological processes, or process changes or other means, except as prohibited by 40 CFR Section 40.36(d).

(29) "Pretreatment requirements." Any substantive or procedural requirement related to pretreatment other than a national pretreatment standard imposed on an industrial user.

(30) "Publicly owned treatment works (POTW)." A treatment works as defined by Section 212 of the Act, (33 U.S.C. 1292) which is owned in this instance by the town. This definition includes any sewers that convey wastewater to the POTW treatment plant, but does not include pipes, sewers or other conveyances not connected to a facility providing treatment. For the purposes of this chapter, "POTW" shall also include any sewers that convey wastewaters to the POTW from persons outside the town, who are, by contract or agreement with the town users of the town's POTW.

(31) "POTW treatment plant." That portion of the POTW designed to provide treatment to wastewater.

(32) "Shall" is mandatory; "May" is permissive.

(33) "Slug." shall mean any discharge of water, sewage, or industrial waste which in concentration of any given constituent or in quantity of flow exceeds for any period of duration longer than fifteen (15) minutes more than five (5) times the average twenty-four (24) hour concentrations of flows during normal operation or any discharge of whatever duration that causes the sewer to overflow or back up in an objectionable way or any discharge of whatever duration that interferes with the proper operation of the wastewater treatment facilities or pumping stations.

(34) "State." The State of Tennessee.


(36) "Storm water." Any flow occurring during or following any form of natural precipitation and resulting therefrom.

(37) "Storm sewer or storm drain." shall mean a pipe or conduit which carries storm and surface waters and drainage, but excludes sewage and industrial wastes; it may, however, carry cooling waters and unpolluted waters, upon approval of the superintendent.
(38) "Suspended solids." The total suspended matter that floats on the surface of, or is suspended in, water, wastewater, or other liquids and that is removable by laboratory filtering.

(39) "Superintendent." The person designated by the town to supervise the operation of the publicly owned treatment works and who is charged with certain duties and responsibilities by this chapter, or his duly authorized representative.

(40) "Town." The Town of Maury City or the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, Town of Maury City, Tennessee.

(41) "Toxic pollutant." Any pollutant or combination of pollutants listed as toxic in regulations promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency under the provision of CWA 307(a) or other Acts.

(42) "Twenty-four (24) hour flow proportional composite sample." A sample consisting of several sample portions collected during a 24-hour period in which the portions of a sample are proportioned to the flow and combined to form a representative sample.

(43) "User." Any person who contributes, causes or permits the contribution of wastewater into the town's POTW.

(44) "Wastewater." The liquid and water-carried industrial or domestic wastes from dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities, and institutions, whether treated or untreated, which is contributed into or permitted to enter the POTW.

(45) "Wastewater treatment systems." Defined the same as POTW.

(46) "Waters of the state." All streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, watercourses, waterways, wells, springs, reservoirs, aquifers, irrigation systems, drainage systems, and other bodies of accumulation of water, surface or underground, natural or artificial, public or private, that are contained within, flow through, or border upon the state or any portion thereof. (as added by ord. #13, § 1, Dec. 1990)

8-503. Connection to public sewers. (1) Requirements for proper wastewater disposal. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, deposit, or permit to be deposited in any unsanitary manner on public or private property within the service area of the Town of Maury City, any human or animal excrement, garbage, or other objectionable waste.

(b) It shall be unlawful to discharge to any waters of the state within the service area of the Town of Maury City any sewage or other polluted waters, except where suitable treatment has been provided in accordance with provisions of this chapter.

(c) Except as herein provided, it shall be unlawful to construct or maintain any privy, privy vault, septic tank, cesspool, or other facility intended or used for the disposal of sewage.
(d) Except as provided in § 8-503(1)(e) below, the owner of all houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes situated within the service area and abutting on any street, alley, or right-of-way in which there is now located or may in the future be located a public sanitary sewer in the service area, is hereby required at his expense to install suitable toilet facilities therein, and to connect such facilities directly with the proper public sewer in accordance with the provisions of the chapter, within sixty (60) days after date of official notice to do so, provided that said public sewer is within five hundred (500) feet of the building drain as defined herein.

(e) The owner of a manufacturing facility may discharge wastewater to the waters of the state provided that he obtains an NPDES permit and meets all requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act, the NPDES permit, and any other applicable local, state, or federal statutes and regulations.

(f) Where a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of § 8-503(1)(d) above, the building sewer shall be connected to a private sewage disposal system complying with the provisions of § 8-504 of this chapter.

(2) Physical connection public sewer. (a) No unauthorized person shall uncover, make any connections with or opening into, use, alter, or disturb any public sewer or appurtenance thereof without first obtaining a written permit from the superintendent as required by § 8-506 of this chapter.

(b) All costs and expenses incident to the installation, connection, and inspection of the building sewer shall be borne by the owner. The owner shall indemnify the town from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer.

(c) A separate and independent building sewer shall be provided for every building; except where one building stands at the rear of another on an interior lot and no private sewer is available or can be constructed to the rear building through an adjoining alley, court, yard, or driveway, the building sewer from the front building may be extended to the rear building and the whole considered as one building sewer.

(d) Old building sewers may be used in connection with new buildings only when they are found, on examination and tested by the superintendent to meet all requirements of this chapter. All others may be sealed to the specifications of the superintendent.

(e) Building sewers shall conform to the following requirements:
(i) The minimum size of a building sewer shall be four (4) inches.

(ii) The minimum depth of a building sewer shall be eighteen (18) inches.

(iii) Four (4) inch building sewers shall be laid on a grade greater than 1/8 inch per foot. Larger building sewers shall be laid on a grade that will produce a velocity when flowing full of at least 2.0 feet per second.

(iv) Slope and alignment of all building sewers shall be neat and regular.

(v) Building sewers shall be constructed only of (A) polyvinyl chloride pipe (SDR 35) with rubber compression joints; (B) such other materials of equal or superior quality as may be approved by the superintendent. Under no circumstance will cement mortar joints be acceptable.

(vi) A cleanout shall be located five (5) feet outside of the building, one as it taps onto the utility lateral and one at each change of direction of the building sewer which is greater than 45 degrees. Additional cleanouts shall be placed not more than seventy-five (75) feet apart in horizontal building sewers of four (4) inch nominal diameter and not more than one hundred (100) feet apart for larger pipes. Cleanouts shall be extended to or above the finished grade level directly above the place where the cleanout is installed. A "Y" (wye) and 1/8 bend shall be used for the cleanout base. Cleanouts shall not be smaller than four (4) inches on a four (4) inch pipe.

(vii) The town will make the connections to the public sewer and extend the building sewer to the property line. The owner shall install the building sewer from the building to the property line and make connection to the town sewer system at the property line.

(viii) The building sewer may be brought into the building below the basement floor when gravity flow from the building to the sanitary sewer is at a grade of 1/8-inch per foot or more if possible. In cases where basement or floor levels are lower than the ground elevation at the point of connection to the sewer, adequate precautions by installation of check valves or other backflow prevention devices to protect against flooding shall be provided by the owner. In all buildings in which any building drain is too low to permit gravity flow to the public sewer, sanitary sewage carried by such building drain shall be lifted by an
approved means and discharged to the building sewer at the expense of the owner.

(ix) The methods to be used in excavating, placing of pipe, bedding of the pipe, jointing, testing, backfilling the trench, or other activities in the construction of a building sewer which have not been described above shall conform to the requirements of the building and plumbing code or other applicable rules and regulations of the town or to the procedures set forth in appropriate specifications of the ASTM and Water Pollution Control Federal Manual of Practice No. 9. Any deviation from the prescribed procedures and materials must be approved by the superintendent before installation.

(x) An installed building sewer shall be gastight and watertight.

(xi) Building sewer permits. There shall be two (2) classes of building sewer permits; (1) for residential and commercial service, and (2) for service to establishments producing industrial wastes. In either case, the owner or his agent shall make application on a special form furnished by the town. Their permit application shall be supplemented by any plans, specifications, or other information considered pertinent in the judgment of the superintendent.

(f) All excavations for building sewer installation shall be adequately guarded with barricades and lights so as to protect the public from hazard. Streets, sidewalks, parkways, and other public property disturbed in the course of the work shall be restored in a manner satisfactory to the town.

(g) No person shall make connection of roof downspouts, exterior foundation drains, areaway drains, basement drains, or other sources of surface runoff or groundwater to a building sewer or building drain which in turn is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer.

(3) Inspection of connections. (a) The sewer connection and all building sewers from the building to the public sewer main line shall be inspected by the superintendent or his authorized representative before the underground portion is covered.

(b) The applicant for discharge shall notify the superintendent when the building sewer is ready for inspection and connection to the public sewer. The connection shall be made under the supervision of the superintendent or his representative.

(4) Maintenance of building sewers. Each individual property owner or user of the POTW shall be entirely responsible for the maintenance of the
building sewer located on private property. This maintenance will include repair or replacement of the service line as deemed necessary by the superintendent to meet specifications of the town. (as added by ord. #13, § 2, Dec. 1990, and amended by Ord. #18, Aug. 1993)

8-504. Private domestic wastewater disposal. (1) Availability.

(a) Where a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of § 8-503(1)(d), the building sewer shall be connected to a private wastewater disposal system complying with the provisions of this section.

(b) Any residence, office, recreational facility, or other establishment used for human occupancy where the building drain is below the elevation to obtain a grade equivalent to 1/8-inch per foot in the building sewer but is otherwise accessible to a public sewer as provided in § 8-503, the owner shall provide a private sewage pumping station as provided in § 8-503(2)(e)(viii).

(c) Where a public sewer becomes available, the building sewer shall be connected to said sewer within sixty (60) days after date of official notice from the town to do so.

(2) Requirements.

(a) A private domestic wastewater disposal system may not be constructed within the service area unless and until a certificate is obtained from the superintendent stating that a public sewer is not accessible to the property and no such sewer is proposed for construction in the immediate future. No certificate shall be issued for any private domestic wastewater disposal system employing subsurface soil absorption facilities where the area of the lot is less than that specified by the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department.

(b) Before commencement of construction of a private sewage disposal system the owner shall first obtain written permission from the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department. The owner shall supply any plans, specifications, and other information as are deemed necessary by the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department.

(c) A private sewage disposal system shall not be placed in operation until the installation is completed to the satisfaction of the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department. They shall be allowed to inspect the work at any stage of construction and the owner shall notify the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department when the work is ready for final inspection, before any underground portions are covered. The inspection shall be made within
a reasonable period of time after the receipt of notice by the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department.

(d) The type, capacity, location, and layout of a private sewage disposal system shall comply with all recommendations of the Department of Health and Environment of the State of Tennessee and the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department. No septic tank or cesspool shall be permitted to discharge to any natural outlet.

(e) The owner shall operate and maintain the private sewage disposal facilities in a sanitary manner at all times, at no expense to the town.

(f) No statement contained in this chapter shall be construed to interfere with any additional requirements that may be imposed by the Town of Maury City and Crockett County Health Department. (as added by ord. #13, § 3, Dec. 1990)

8-505. Regulation of holding tank waste disposal. (1) Permit. No person, firm, association or corporation shall clean out, drain, or flush any septic tank or any other type of wastewater or excreta disposal system, unless such person, firm, association, or corporation obtains a permit from the superintendent to perform such acts or services. Any person, firm, association, or corporation desiring a permit to perform such services shall file an application on the prescribed form. Upon any such application, said permit shall be issued by the superintendent when the conditions of this chapter have been met and providing the superintendent is satisfied the applicant has adequate and proper equipment to perform the services contemplated in a safe and competent manner.

(2) Fees. For each permit issued under the provisions of this chapter, an annual service charge therefore shall be paid to the town to be set as specified in § 8-511. Any such permit granted shall be for one fiscal year or fraction of the fiscal year, and shall continue in full force and effect from the time issued until the ending of the fiscal year, unless sooner revoked, and shall be nontransferable. The number of the permit granted hereunder shall be plainly painted on each side of each motor vehicle used in the conduct of the business permitted hereunder.

(3) Designated disposal locations. The superintendent shall designate approved locations for the emptying and cleansing of all equipment used in the performance of the services rendered under the permit herein provided for, and it shall be a violation hereof for any person, firm, association or corporation to empty or clean such equipment at any place other than a place so designated.

(4) Revocation of permit. Failure to comply with all the provisions of this chapter shall be sufficient cause for the revocation of such permit by the
superintendent. The possession within the service area by any person of any motor vehicle equipped with a body type and accessories of a nature and design capable of serving a septic tank of wastewater or excreta disposal system cleaning unit shall be prima facie evidence that such person is engaged in the business of cleaning, draining, or flushing septic tanks or other wastewater or excreta disposal systems within the service area of the Town of Maury City. (as added by ord. #13, § 4, Dec. 1990)

8-506. Application for domestic wastewater discharge and industrial wastewater discharge permits.

(1) Application for discharge of domestic wastewater. All users or prospective users which generate domestic wastewater shall make application to the superintendent for written authorization to discharge to the municipal wastewater treatment system. Applications shall be required from all new dischargers as well as for any existing discharger desiring additional service. Connection to the municipal sewer shall not be made until the application is received and approved by the superintendent, the building sewer is installed in accordance with § 8-501 of this chapter and an inspection has been performed by the superintendent or his representative.

The receipt by the town of a prospective customer's application for service shall not obligate the town to render the service. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with this chapter and the town's rules and regulations and general practice, the connection charge will be refunded in full, and there shall be no liability of the town to the applicant for such service, except that conditional waivers for additional services may be granted by the superintendent for interim periods if compliance may be assured within a reasonable period of time.

(2) Industrial wastewater discharge permits.

(a) General requirements. All industrial users proposing to connect to or to contribute to the POTW shall obtain a wastewater discharge permit before connecting to or contributing to the POTW. All existing industrial users connected to or contributing to the POTW within 180 days after the effective date of this chapter.

(b) Applications. Applications for wastewater discharge permits shall be required as follows:

(i) Users required to obtain a wastewater discharge permit shall complete and file with the superintendent, an application on a prescribed form accompanied by the appropriate fee. Existing users shall apply for a wastewater contribution permit within 60 days after the effective date of this chapter, and proposed new users shall apply at least 90 days prior to connecting to or contributing to the POTW.
(ii) The application shall be in the prescribed form of the town and shall include, but not be limited to the following information: name, address, and SIC number of applicant; wastewater volume; wastewater constituents and characteristics; discharge variations -- daily, monthly, seasonal and 30 minute peaks; a description of all chemicals handled on the premises; site plans, floor plans, mechanical and plumbing plans and details showing all sewers and appurtenances by size, location and elevation; a description of existing and proposed pretreatment and/or equalization facilities and any other information deemed necessary by the superintendent.

(iii) Any user who elects or is required to construct new or additional facilities for pretreatment shall as part of the application for wastewater discharge permit submit plans, specifications and other pertinent information relative to the proposed construction to the superintendent for approval. Plans and specifications submitted for approval must bear the seal of a professional engineer registered to practice engineering in the State of Tennessee. A wastewater discharge permit shall not be issued until such plans and specifications are approved. Approval of such plans and specifications shall in no way relieve the user from the responsibility of modifying the facility as necessary to produce an effluent acceptable to the town under the provisions of this chapter.

(iv) If additional pretreatment and/or O&M will be required to meet the pretreatment standards, the application shall include the shortest schedule by which the user will provide such additional pretreatment. The completion date in this schedule shall not be later than the compliance date established for the applicable pretreatment standard. For the purpose of this paragraph, "pretreatment standard," shall include either a national pretreatment standard or a pretreatment standard imposed by § 8-507 of this chapter.

(v) The town will evaluate the data furnished by the user and may require additional information. After evaluation and acceptance of the data furnished, the town may issue a wastewater discharge permit subject to terms and conditions provided herein.

(vi) The receipt by the town of a prospective customer's application for wastewater discharge permit shall not obligate the town to render the wastewater collection and treatment service. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with this chapter or the town's rules and regulations and general
practice, the application shall be rejected and there shall be no
liability of the town to the applicant of such service.

(vii) The superintendent will act only on applications
containing all the information required in this section. Persons
who have filed incomplete applications will be notified by the
superintendent that the application is deficient and the nature of
such deficiency and will be given thirty (30) days to correct the
deficiency. If the deficiency is not corrected within thirty (30) days
or within such extended period as allowed by the superintendent,
the superintendent shall submit the application to the mayor with
a recommendation that it be denied and notify the applicant in
writing of such action.

c) Permit conditions. Wastewater discharge permits shall be
expressly subject to all provisions of this chapter and all other applicable
regulations, user charges and fees established by the town. Permits may
contain the following:

(i) The unit charge or schedule of user charges and fees
for the wastewater to be discharged to a community sewer;

(ii) Limits on the average and maximum wastewater
constituents and characteristics;

(iii) Limits on the average and maximum rate and time of
discharge or requirements and equalization;

(iv) Requirements for installation and maintenance of
inspections and sampling facilities;

(v) Specifications for monitoring programs which may
include sampling locations, frequency of sampling, number, types,
and standards for tests and reporting schedule;

(vi) Compliance schedules;

(vii) Requirements for submission of technical reports or
discharge reports;

(viii) Requirements for maintaining and retaining plant
records relating to wastewater discharge as specified by the town,
and affording town access thereto;

(ix) Requirements for notification of the town of any new
introduction of wastewater constituents or any substantial change
in the volume or character of the wastewater constituents being
introduced into the wastewater treatment system.

(x) Requirements for notification of slug discharged;

(xi) Other conditions as deemed appropriate by the town
to ensure compliance with this chapter.

d) Permit modifications. Within nine months of the
promulgation of a national categorical pretreatment standard, the
wastewater discharge permit of users subject to such standards shall be revised to require compliance with such standard within the time frame prescribed by such standard. A user with an existing wastewater discharge permit shall submit to the superintendent within 180 days after the promulgation of an applicable federal categorical pretreatment standard the information required by §§ 8-506(2)(b)(ii) and (iii). The terms and conditions of the permit may be subject to modification by the superintendent during the term of the permit as limitations or requirements are modified or other just cause exists. The user shall be informed of any proposed changes in this permit at least 30 days prior to the effective date of change. Any changes or new conditions in the permit shall include a reasonable time schedule for compliance.

(e) **Permits duration.** Permits shall be issued for a specified time period, not to exceed five (5) years. A permit may be issued for a period less than a year or may be stated to expire on a specific date. The user shall apply for permit reissuance a minimum of 180 days prior to the expiration of the user's existing permit.

(f) **Permit transfer.** Wastewater discharge permits are issued to a specific user for a specific operation. A wastewater discharge permit shall not be reassigned or transferred or sold to a new owner, new user, different premises, or a new or changed operation without the approval of the town. Any succeeding owner or user shall also comply with the terms and conditions of the existing permit.

(g) **Revocation of permit.** Any permit issued under the provisions of the chapter is subject to be modified suspended, or revoked in whole or in part during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

(i) Violation of any terms or conditions of the wastewater discharge permit or other applicable federal, state, or local law or regulation.

(ii) Obtaining a permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts.

(iii) A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge.

(iv) Intentional failure of a user to accurately report the discharge constituents and characteristics or to report significant changes in plant operations or wastewater characteristics.

(3) **Confidential information.** All information and data on a user obtained from reports, questionnaire, permit application, permits and monitoring programs and from inspections shall be available to the public or any governmental agency without restriction unless the user specifically
requests and is able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the superintendent
that the release of such information would divulge information, processes, or
methods of production entitled to protection as trade secrets of the user.

When requested by the person furnishing the report, the portions of a
report which might disclose trade secrets or secret processes shall not be made
available for inspection by the public, but shall be made available to
governmental agencies for use; related to this chapter or the town's or user's
NPDES permit. Provided, however, that such portions of a report shall be
available for use by the state or any state agency in judicial review or
enforcement proceedings involving the person furnishing the report.
Wastewater constituents and characteristics will not be recognized as
confidential information.

Information accepted by the superintendent as confidential shall not be
transmitted to any governmental agency or to the general public by the
superintendent until and unless prior and adequate notification is given to the
user. (as added by ord. #13, § 5, Dec. 1990)

8-507. Discharge regulations. (1) General discharge prohibitions. No
user shall contribute or cause to be contributed, directly or indirectly, any
pollutant or wastewater which will interfere with the operation and
performance of the POTW. These general prohibitions apply to all such users
of a POTW whether or not the user is subject to national categorical
pretreatment standards or any other national, state, or local pretreatment
standards or requirements. A user may not contribute the following substances
to any POTW:

(a) Any liquids, solids, or gases which by reason of their nature
or quantity are, or may be, sufficient either alone or by interaction with
other substances to cause fire or explosion or be injurious in any other
way to the POTW or to the operation of the POTW. At no time, shall two
successive readings on an explosion hazard meter, at the point of
discharge into the system (or at any point in the system) be more than
five percent (5%) nor any single reading over twenty percent (20%) of the
lower explosive limit (LEL) of the meter. Prohibited materials include,
but are not limited to, gasoline, kerosene, naphtha, benzene, toluene,
xylene, ethers, alcohols, ketones, aldehydes, peroxides, chlorates,
perchlorates, bromate, carbides, hydrides and sulfides and any other
substances which the Town of Maury City, the state or EPA has notified
the user is a fire hazard or a hazard to the system.

(b) Solid or viscous substances which may cause obstruction to
the flow in a sewer or other interference with the operation of the
wastewater treatment facilities but not limited to: grease, garbage with
particles greater than one-half inch (1/2") in any dimension, paunch
manure, bones, hair, hides, or fleshings, entrails, whole blood, feathers, ashes, cinders, sand, spent lime, stone or marble dust, metal, glass, straw, shavings, grass clippings, rags, spent grains, spent hops, waste paper, wood, plastics, gas, tar, asphalt residues from refining, or processing of fuel or lubricating oil, mud, or glass grinding or polishing wastes.

(c) Any wastewater having a pH less than 5.0 or higher than 9.5 or wastewater having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, and/or personnel of the POTW.

(d) Any wastewater containing any toxic pollutants, chemical elements, or compounds in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction with other pollutants, to injure or interfere with any wastewater treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, create a toxic effect in the receiving waters of the POTW, or to exceed the limitation set forth in a categorical pretreatment standard. A toxic pollutant shall include but not be limited to any pollutant identified pursuant to Section 307(a) of the Act.

(e) Any noxious or malodorous liquids, gases, or solids which either singly or by interaction with other wastes are sufficient to create a public nuisance, hazard to life, are sufficient to prevent entry into the sewers for maintenance and repair.

(f) Any substance which may cause the POTW’s effluent or any other product of the POTW such as residues, sludges or scums, to be unsuitable for reclamation and reuse or to interfere with the reclamation process. In no case, shall a substance discharged to the POTW cause the POTW to be in non-compliance with sludge use or disposal criteria, guidelines or regulations developed under Section 405 of the Act; any criteria, guidelines, or regulations affecting sludge use or disposal developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act, the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or state criteria applicable to the sludge management method being used.

(g) Any substance which will cause the POTW to violate its NPDES Permit or the receiving water quality standards.

(h) Any wastewater causing discoloration of the wastewater treatment plant effluent to the extent that the receiving stream water quality requirements would be violated, such as, but not limited to, dye wastes and vegetable tanning solutions.

(i) Any wastewater having a temperature which will inhibit biological activity in the POTW treatment plant resulting in interference, but in no case wastewater with a temperature at the introduction into the POTW which exceeds 40°C (104° F).
(j) Any pollutants, including oxygen demanding pollutants (BOD, etc.) released at a flow rate and/or pollutant concentration which a user knows or has reason to know will cause interference to the POTW.

(k) Any waters or wastes causing an unusual volume of flow or concentration of waste constituting "sludge" as defined herein.

(l) Any wastewater containing any radioactive wastes or isotopes of such halflife or concentration as may exceed limits established by the superintendent in compliance with applicable state or federal regulations.

(m) Any wastewater which causes a hazard to human life or creates a public nuisance.

(n) Any waters or wastes containing fats, wax, grease, or oil, whether emulsified or not, in excess of one hundred (100) mg/l or containing substances which may solidify or become viscous at temperature between thirty-two (32) or one hundred fifty (150) degrees F (0 and 65° C).

(o) Any stormwater, surface water, groundwater, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, uncontaminated cooling water, or unpolluted industrial process waters to any sanitary sewer. Stormwater and all other unpolluted drainage shall be discharged to such sewers as are specifically designated as storm sewers, or to a natural outlet approved by the superintendent and the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment. Industrial cooling water or unpolluted process waters may be discharged on approval of the superintendent and the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment, to a storm sewer or natural outlet.

(2) Restrictions on wastewater strength. No person or user shall discharge wastewater which exceeds the following set of standards (Table A - User Discharge Restrictions) unless an exception is permitted as provided in this chapter. Dilution of any wastewater discharge for the purpose of satisfying these requirements shall be considered in violation of this chapter. These limits are subject to review and amendment if required to meet local, state or federal requirements.
Table A - User Discharge Restrictions

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*Based on 24-hour flow proportional composite samples.

(3) **Protection of treatment plant influent.** The superintendent shall monitor the treatment works influent for each parameter in the following table. (Table B - Plant Protection Criteria). Industrial users shall be subject to reporting and monitoring requirements regarding these parameters as set forth in this chapter. In the event that the influent at the POTW reaches or exceeds the levels established by this table, the superintendent shall initiate technical studies to determine the cause of the influent violation and shall recommend to the Town of Maury City the necessary remedial measures, including, but not limited to, recommending the establishment of new or revised pre-treatment levels for these parameters. The superintendent shall also recommend changes to any of these criteria in the event that: the POTW effluent standards are
changed, there are changes in any applicable law or regulation affecting same, or changes are needed for more effective operation of the POTW.
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BDL = Below Detectable Limits

(4) **Federal categorical pretreatment standards.** Upon the promulgation of the federal categorical pretreatment standards for a particular industrial subcategory, the federal standard, if more stringent than limitations imposed under this chapter for sources in that subcategory, shall immediately supersede the limitations imposed under this chapter. The superintendent shall notify all affected users of the applicable reporting requirements under 40 CFR, Section 403.12.

(5) **Right to establish more restrictive criteria.** No statement in this chapter is intended or may be construed to prohibit the superintendent from establishing specific wastewater discharge criteria more restrictive where wastes are determined to be harmful or destructive to the facilities of the POTW or to create a public nuisance, or to cause the discharge of the POTW to violate effluent or stream quality standards, or to interfere with the use or handling of sludge, or to pass through the POTW resulting in a violation of the NPDES permit, or to exceed industrial pretreatment standards for discharge to municipal wastewater treatment systems as imposed or as may be imposed by the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment and/or the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

(6) **Special agreements.** Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to prevent any special agreement or arrangement between the Town of Maury City and any user of the wastewater treatment system whereby wastewater of unusual strength or character is accepted into the system and specially treated subject to any payments or user charges as may be applicable. The making of such special agreements or arrangements between the Town of Maury City and the user shall be strictly limited to the capability of the POTW to handle such wastes without interfering with unit operations on sludge use and handling or allowing the pass through of pollutants which agreement or arrangement may be made without documentation by the industry of the use of good management practice in the reduction of wastewater volume and strength.

(7) **Exceptions to discharge criteria.**

(a) **Application for exception.** Non-residential users of the POTW may apply for a temporary exception to the prohibited and restricted wastewater discharge criteria listed in § 8-507(1) and (2) of this chapter. Exceptions can be granted according to the following guidelines.

The superintendent shall allow applications for temporary exceptions at any time. However, the superintendent shall not accept an application if the applicant has submitted the same or substantially similar application within the preceding year and the same has been denied by the Town of Maury City.
All applications for an exception shall be in writing, and shall contain sufficient information for evaluation of each of the factors to be considered by the Town of Maury City in its review of the application.

(b) Conditions. All exceptions granted under this paragraph shall be temporary and subject to revocation at any time by the superintendent upon reasonable notice.

The user requesting the exception must demonstrate to the superintendent that he is making a concentrated and serious effort to maintain high standards of operation control and housekeeping levels, etc., so that discharges to the POTW are being minimized. If negligence is found, permits will be subject to termination. The user requesting the exception must demonstrate the compliance with stated concentration and quantity standards is technically or economically infeasible and the discharge, if excepted, will not:

   (i) Interfere with the normal collection and operation of the wastewater treatment system.

   (ii) Limit the sludge management alternatives available and increase the cost of providing adequate sludge management.

   (iii) Pass through the POTW in quantities and/or concentrations that would cause the POTW to violate its NPDES permit.

The user must show that the exception, if granted, will not cause the discharger to violate its inforced federal pretreatment standards unless the exception is granted under the provisions of the applicable pretreatment regulations.

A surcharge shall be applied to any exception granted under this subsection. These surcharges shall be applied for that concentration of the pollutant for which the variance has been granted in excess of the concentration stipulated in this chapter based on the average daily flow of the user.

(c) Review of application by the superintendent. All applications for an exception shall be reviewed by the superintendent. If the application does not contain the sufficient information for complete evaluation, the superintendent shall notify the applicant of the deficiencies and request additional information. The applicant shall have thirty (30) days following notification by the superintendent to correct such deficiencies. This thirty (30) day period may be extended by the Town of Maury City upon application and for just cause shown. Upon receipt of a complete application, the superintendent shall evaluate same within thirty (30) days and shall submit his recommendations to the Town of Maury City at its next regularly scheduled meeting.
Review of application by the Town of Maury City. The Town of Maury City shall review and evaluate all applications for exceptions and shall take into account the following factors:

(i) Whether or not the applicant is subject to a national pretreatment standard containing discharge limitations more stringent than those in § 8-507(7) and grant an exception only if such exception may be granted within limitations of applicable federal regulations;

(ii) Whether or not the exception would apply to discharge of a substance classified as a toxic substance under regulations promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency under the provisions of Section 307(a) of the Act (33 U.S.C. 1317), and then grant an exception only if such exception may be granted within the limitations by applicable federal regulations;

(iii) Whether or not the granting of an exception would create conditions that would reduce the effectiveness of the treatment works taking into consideration the concentration of said pollutant in the treatment works' influent and the design capability of the treatment works;

(iv) The cost of pretreatment or other types of control techniques which would be necessary for the user to achieve effluent reduction, but prohibitive costs alone shall not be the basis for granting an exception;

(v) The age of equipment and industrial facilities involved to the extent that such factors affect the quality or quantity of wastewater discharge;

(vi) The process employed by the user and process changes available which would affect the quality or quantity of wastewater discharge;

(vii) The engineering aspects of various types of pretreatment or other control techniques available to the user to improve the quality or quantity of wastewater discharge.

Accidental discharges.

(a) Protection from accidental discharge. All industrial users shall provide such facilities and institute such procedures as are reasonably necessary to prevent or minimize the potential for accidental discharge into the POTW of waste regulated by this chapter from liquid or raw material storage areas, from truck and rail car loading and unloading areas, from in-plant transfer or processing and materials handling areas, and from diked areas or holding ponds of any waste regulated by this chapter. The wastewater discharge permit of any user who has a history of significant leaks, spills, or other accidental discharge
of waste regulated by this chapter shall be subject on a case-by-case basis to a special permit condition or requirement for the construction of facilities establishment of procedures which will prevent of minimize the potential for such accidental discharge. Facilities to prevent accidental discharge of prohibited materials shall be provided and maintained at the user's expense. Detailed plans showing the facilities and operating procedures shall be submitted to the superintendent before the facility is constructed.

The review and approval of such plans and operating procedures will in no way relieve the user from the responsibility of modifying the facility to provide the protection necessary to meet the requirements of this chapter.

(b) Notification of accidental discharge. Any person causing or suffering from any accidental discharge shall immediately notify the superintendent (or his designated official) in person, by telephone to enable countermeasures to be taken by the superintendent to minimize damage to the POTW, the health and welfare of the public, and the environment.

This notification shall be followed, within five (5) days of the date of occurrence, by a detailed written statement describing the cause of the accidental discharge and the measures being taken to prevent future occurrence.

Such notification will not relieve the user of liability for any expense, loss, or damage to the POTW, fish kills, or any other damage to person or property; nor shall such notification relieve the user of any fines, civil penalties, or other liability which may be imposed by this chapter or state or federal law.

(c) Notice to employees. A notice shall be permanently posted on the user’s bulletin board or other prominent place advising employees whom to call in the event of a dangerous discharge. Employers shall ensure that all employees who may cause or suffer such a dangerous discharge to occur are advised of the emergency notification procedure.

(8-508. Industrial user monitoring, inspection reports, records access, and safety. (1) Monitoring facilities. The installation of a monitoring facility shall be required for all industrial users having wastes which receive pretreatment, are otherwise altered or regulated before discharge, or are unusually strong and thereby subject to a surcharge facility approved by the superintendent.

When in the judgment of the superintendent, there is a significant difference in wastewater constituents and characteristics produced by different
operations of a single user the superintendent may require that separate monitoring facilities be installed for each separate source of discharge.

Monitoring facilities that are required to be installed shall be constructed and maintained at the user's expense. The purpose of the facility is to enable inspection, sampling and flow measurement of wastewater produced by a user. If sampling or metering equipment is also required by the superintendent, it shall be provided and installed at the user's expense.

The monitoring facility will normally be required to be located on the user's premises outside of the building. The superintendent may, however, when such a location would be impractical or cause undue hardship on the user, allow the facility to be constructed in the public street right-of-way with the approval of the public agency having jurisdiction of the right-of-way and located so that it will not be obstructed by landscaping or parked vehicles.

There shall be ample room in or near such sampling manhole or facility to allow accurate sampling and preparation of samples for analysis. The facility, sampling, and measuring equipment shall be maintained at all times in a safe and proper operating condition at the expenses of the user.

Whether constructed on public or private property, the monitoring facilities shall be constructed in accordance with the superintendent's requirements and all applicable local agency construction standards and specifications. When, in the judgment of the superintendent, an existing notified in writing. Construction must be completed within one hundred eighty (180) days following written notification unless an extension is granted by the superintendent.

(2) Inspection and sampling. The Town of Maury City shall inspect the facilities of any user to ascertain whether the purpose of this chapter is being met and all requirements are being complied with. Persons or occupants of premises where wastewater is created or discharged shall allow the Town of Maury City or their representative ready access at all reasonable times to all parts of the premises for the purpose of inspection, sampling, records examination or in the performance of any of their duties. The Town of Maury City, approval authority and EPA shall have the right to set up on the user's property such devices as are necessary to conduct sampling inspection, compliance monitoring and/or metering operations. Where a user has security measures in force which would require proper identification and clearance before entry into their premises, the user shall make necessary arrangements with their security guards so that upon presentation of suitable identification, personnel from the Town of Maury City, approval authority and EPA will be permitted to enter, without delay, for the purposes of performing their specific responsibility. The superintendent or his representatives shall have no authority to inquire into any manufacturing process beyond that point having
a direct bearing on the level and sources of discharge to the sewers, waterways, or facilities for waste treatment.

(3) **Compliance date report.** Within one hundred eighty (180) days following the date for final compliance with applicable pretreatment standards or, in the case of a new source, following commencement of the introduction of wastewater into the POTW, any user subject to pretreatment standards and requirements shall submit to the superintendent a report indicating the nature and concentration of all pollutants in the discharge from the regulated process which are limited by pretreatment standards and requirements and the average and maximum daily flow for these process units in the user facility which are limited by such pretreatment standards or requirements. The report shall state whether the applicable pretreatment standards or requirements are being met on a consistent basis and, if not, what additional O&M and/or programmatic is necessary to bring the user into compliance with the applicable pretreatment standards or requirements. This statement shall be signed by an authorized representative of the industrial user, and certified to by a qualified professional.

(4) **Periodic compliance reports.** (a) Any user subject to a pretreatment standard, after the compliance date of such pretreatment standard, or, in the case of a new source, after commencement of the discharge into the POTW, shall submit to the superintendent during the months of June and December, unless required more frequently in the pretreatment standard or by the superintendent, a report indicating the nature and concentration of pollutants in the effluent which are limited by such pretreatment standards. In addition, this report shall include a record of all daily flows which during the reporting period exceeded the average daily flow. At the discretion of the superintendent and in consideration of such factors as local high or low flow rates, holidays, budget cycles, etc., the superintendent may agree to alter the months during which the above reports are to be submitted.

(b) The superintendent may impose mass limitations on users where the imposition of mass limitations are appropriate. In such cases, the report required by subparagraph (a) of this paragraph shall indicate the mass of pollutants regulated by pretreatment standards in the effluent of the user.

(c) The reports required by this section shall contain the results of sampling and analysis of the discharge, including the flow and the nature and concentration or production and mass where requested by the superintendent of pollutants contained therein which are limited by the applicable pretreatment standards. The frequency of monitoring shall be prescribed in the wastewater discharge permit or the pretreatment standard. All analysis shall be performed in accordance with procedures established by the administrator pursuant to Section 304(g) of the Act
and contained in 40 CFR, Part 136 and amendments thereto or with any other test procedures approved by the superintendent. Sampling shall be performed in accordance with techniques approved by the administrator.

(5) Maintenance of records. Any industrial user subject to the reporting requirements established in this section shall maintain records of all information resulting from any monitoring activities required by this section. Such records shall include for all samples:

(a) The date, exact place, method, and time of sampling and the names of the persons taking the samples;
(b) The dates analyses were performed;
(c) Who performed the analyses;
(d) The analytical techniques/methods used; and
(e) The results of such analyses.

Any industrial user subject to the reporting requirement established in the section shall be required to retain for a minimum of three (3) years all records of monitoring activities and results (whether or not such monitoring activities are required by this section) and shall make such records available for inspection and copying by the superintendent, Director of the Division of Water Quality Control, Tennessee Department of Health and Environment or the Environmental Protection Agency. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the industrial user or when requested by the superintendent, the approval authority, or the Environmental Protection Agency.

(6) Safety. While performing the necessary work on private properties, the superintendent, or duly authorized employees of the town shall observe all safety rules applicable to the premises established by the company and the company shall be held harmless for injury or death to the town employees and the town shall indemnify the company against loss or damage to its property by town employees and against liability claims and demands for personal injury or property damage asserted against the company and growing out of the monitoring and sampling operation, except as such may be caused by negligence or failure of the company to maintain safe conditions. (as added by ord. #13, § 7, Dec. 1990)

8-509. Enforcement and abatement. (1) Issuance of cease and desist orders. When the superintendent finds that a discharge of wastewater has taken place in violation of prohibitions or limitations of this chapter, or the provisions of a wastewater discharge permits, the superintendent shall issue an order to cease and desist, and direct that these persons not complying with such prohibitions, limits requirements, or provisions to:

(a) Comply forthwith;
(b) Comply in accordance with a time schedule set forth by the superintendent;
(c) Take appropriate remedial or preventive action in the event of a threatened violation; or
(d) Surrender the applicable user's permit if ordered to do so after a show cause hearing.

Failure of the superintendent to issue a cease and desist order to a violating user shall not in any way relieve the user from any consequences of a wrongful or illegal discharge.

(2) Submission of time. When the superintendent finds that a discharge of wastewater has been taking place in violation of prohibitions or limitations prescribed in this chapter, or wastewater source control requirements, effluent limitations of pretreatment standards, or the provisions of a wastewater discharge permit, the superintendent shall require the user to submit for approval, with such modifications as it deems necessary, a detailed time schedule of specific actions which the user shall take in order to prevent or correct a violation of requirements. Such schedule shall be submitted to the superintendent within 30 days of the issuance of the cease and desist order.

(3) Show cause hearing. (a) The town may order any user who causes or allows an unauthorized discharge to enter the POTW to show cause before the board of mayor and aldermen why the proposed enforcement action should not be taken. A notice shall be served on the user specifying the time and place of a hearing to be held by the board of mayor and aldermen regarding the violation, the reasons why the action is to be taken, the proposed enforcement action, and directing the user to show cause before the board of mayor and aldermen why the proposed enforcement action should not be taken. The notice of the hearing shall be served personally or by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested) at least ten (10) days before the hearing.

(b) The board of mayor and aldermen may itself conduct the hearing and take the evidence, or may designate any of its members or any officer or employee of the water and sewer department to:

(i) Issue in the name of the board of mayor and aldermen notices of hearings requesting the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of evidence relevant to any matter involved in such hearings;
(ii) Take the evidence;
(iii) Transmit a report of the evidence and hearing, including transcripts and other evidence, together with recommendations to the board for action thereon.

(c) At any hearing held pursuant to this chapter, testimony taken must be under oath and recorded. The transcript, so recorded, will
be made available to any member of the public or any party to the hearing upon payment of the usual charges thereof.

(d) After the board of mayor and aldermen has reviewed the evidence, it may issue an order to the user responsible for the discharge directing that, following a specified time period, the sewer service be discontinued unless adequate treatment facilities, devices or other related appurtenances shall have been installed on existing treatment facilities, and that these devices or other related appurtenances are properly operated. Further orders and directives as are necessary and appropriate may be issued.

(4) Legal action. If any person discharges sewage, industrial wastes, or other wastes into the town's wastewater disposal system contrary to the provisions of this chapter, federal or state pretreatment requirements, or any order of the town, the Town of Maury City attorney may commence an action for appropriate legal and/or equitable relief in the chancery court of this county.

(5) Emergency termination of service. In the event of an actual or threatened discharge to the POTW of any pollutant which in the opinion of the superintendent presents or may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the health or welfare of persons, or cause interference with POTW, the superintendent or in his absence the person then in charge of the treatment works shall immediately notify the mayor of the nature of the emergency. The superintendent shall also attempt to notify the industrial user or other person causing the emergency and request their assistance in abating same. Following consultation with the aforementioned officials of the town or in their absence such elected officials of the town as may be available, the superintendent shall temporarily terminate the service of such user or users as are necessary to abate the condition when such action appears reasonably necessary. Such service shall be restored by the superintendent as soon as the emergency situation has been abated or corrected.

(6) Public nuisance. Discharge of wastewater in any manner in violation of this chapter or of any order issued by the superintendent as authorized by this chapter is hereby declared a public nuisance and shall be corrected or abated as directed by the superintendent. Any person creating a public nuisance shall be subject to the provisions of the town code or ordinances governing such nuisance.

(7) Correction of violation and collection of costs. In order to enforce the provisions of this chapter, the superintendent shall correct any violation hereof. The cost of such correction shall be added to any sewer service charge payable by the person violating this chapter or the owner or tenant of the property upon which the violation occurred, and the town shall have such remedies for the collection of such costs as it has for the collection of sewer service charges.
(8) **Damage to facilities.** When a discharge of wastes causes an obstruction, damage, or any other physical or operational impairment to facilities, the superintendent shall assess a charge against the user for the work required to clean or repair the facility and add such charge to the user's sewer service charge.

(9) **Civil liabilities.** Any person or user who intentionally or negligently violates any provision of this chapter, requirements, or conditions set forth in permit duly issued, or who discharged wastewater which causes pollution or violates any cease and desist order, prohibition, effluent limitation, national standard or performance, pretreatment, or toxicity standard, shall be liable civilly.

The Town of Maury City shall sue for such damage in any court of competent jurisdiction. In determining the damages, the court shall take into consideration all relevant circumstances, including, but not limited to, the extent of harm caused by the violation, the nature and persistence of the violation, the length of time over which the violation occurs, and the correcting action, if any. (as added by ord. #13, § 8, Dec. 1990)

8-510. **Penalties; costs.** (1) **Civil penalties.** Any user who is found to have violated an order of the board of mayor and aldermen or who willfully or negligently failed to comply with any provision of this chapter, and the order, rules, regulations and permits issued hereunder, shall be fined not less than fifty and 00/100 dollars ($50.00) for each offense. Each day of which a violation shall occur or continue shall be deemed a separate and distinct offense. In addition to the penalties provided herein, the town may recover reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, court reporters' fees and other expenses of litigation by appropriate suit at law against the person found to have violated this chapter or the orders, rules, regulations, and permits issued hereunder.

(2) **Falsifying information.** Any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation or certification in any application, record, report, plan or other document filed or required to be maintained pursuant to this chapter, or wastewater discharge permit, or who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required under this chapter, shall upon conviction be punished by a fine of not more than $1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or by both. (as added by ord. #13, § 9, Dec. 1990)

8-511. **Fees and billing.** (1) **Purpose.** It is the purpose of this chapter to provide for the equitable recovery of costs from user's of the town's wastewater treatment system including costs of operation, maintenance, administration, bond service costs, capital improvements, depreciation, and equitable cost recovery of EPA administered federal wastewater grants.
(2) **Types of charges and fees.** The charges and fees as established in the town's schedule of charges and fees may include but not be limited to:
   
   (a) Inspection fee and tapping fee;
   
   (b) Fees for applications for discharge;
   
   (c) Sewer use charges;
   
   (d) Surcharge fees;
   
   (e) Industrial wastewater discharge permit fees;
   
   (f) Fees for industrial discharge monitoring; and
   
   (g) Other fees as the town may deem necessary to carry out the requirements of this chapter.

(3) **Fees for application for discharge.** A fee may be charged when a user or prospective user makes application for discharge as required by § 8-506 of this chapter.

(4) **Inspection fee and tapping fee.** An inspection fee and tapping fee for a building sewer installation shall be paid to the town’s sewer department at the time the application is filed. Fees shall cover the costs of inspecting new and/or existing plumbing within subject building establishments as well as inspection of building sewers, property sewers, and sewer service lines and connections to the public sewers. The inspection fee and tapping fee shall be set by the board of mayor and aldermen.

(5) (This section deleted by ord. #18, Aug. 1993)

(6) **Industrial wastewater discharge permit fees.** A fee may be charged for the issuance of an industrial wastewater discharge fee in accordance with § 8-506 of this chapter.

(7) **Fees for industrial discharge monitoring.** Fees may be collected from industrial user's having pretreatment or other discharge requirements to compensate the town for the necessary compliance monitoring and other administrative duties of the pretreatment program.

(8) **Billing.** The billing for normal domestic wastewater services shall consist of monthly billing in accordance with the rates specified by the town, subject to net and gross rates. (as added by ord. #13, § 10, Dec. 1990, and amended by ord. #18, Aug. 1993)

8-512. **Validity.** (1) All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

(2) The validity of any section, clause, sentence, or provision of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

(3) This ordinance and its provisions shall be valid for all service areas, regions, and sewage works under the jurisdiction of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee. (as added by ord. #13, § 11, Dec. 1990)
8-513. **Replacement of sewer clean out access plugs.** (1) Each customer of the Maury City sewer system shall be entitled to one (1) free replacement of a sewer clean out access plug per calendar year.

(2) For each replacement of a sewer clean out access plug during a calendar year thereafter the customer shall be charged twenty five dollars ($25). This charge shall be placed on the customer's sewer bill and collectable in the same manner. (Ord. No. 21, §§ 1 and 2, July 1994)
CHAPTER 6

SLUM CLEARANCE AND REMOVAL OF NUISANCES

SECTION
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8-601. Definitions. The following terms whenever used or referred to in this chapter shall have the following meanings unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

(1) "Municipality" shall mean the Town of Maury City, Tennessee.

(2) "Governing body" shall mean the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee.

(3) "Public officer" shall mean the mayor and board. He is hereby designated and authorized to exercise the powers prescribed by this chapter, by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 13-21-107 through 13-21-109, inclusive, by charter of this municipality and by common law.

(4) "Public authority" shall mean any housing authority or any officer who is in charge of any department or branch of the government of the municipality or state relating to health, fire, building regulations, or other activities concerning dwellings in the municipality, or any officer who is in charge of any department of the municipality which is concerned with the safety, peace and general welfare of the residents of such municipality.

(5) "Owner" shall mean the holder of the title in fee simple and every mortgagee of record.

(6) "Parties in interest" shall mean all individuals, associations, corporations and others who have interests of record in a dwelling, any who are in possession thereof, and person under whose permission the tenant or tenants are in possession thereof and who collects the rents or in any manner whatsoever acts as agent of "owner".

(7) "Dwelling" shall mean any building, structure, or mobile home, or part thereof, used and occupied for human occupation or intended to be so used, and includes any outhouses and appurtenances belonging or usually enjoyed therewith.
(8) "Family" shall mean a group of persons, not necessarily related by blood or marriage, living together as a single housekeeping unit.

(9) "Infestation" shall mean the presence of household pests, vermin or rodents.

(10) "Structure" means any dwelling or place of public accommodation.

(Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-602. Existence of dwellings unfit for human occupation or use. There exists in this municipality conditions of the character described in Tennessee Code Annotated § 13-21-102, "Structures Unfit for Human Occupation Or Use" due to dilapidation, defects, lack of ventilation, light or sanitary facilities, or due to other conditions rendering such structures unsafe or unsanitary, or dangerous or detrimental to the health, safety or morals, or otherwise inimical to the welfare of the residents of this municipality, pursuant to the power and authority conferred upon such municipalities by the statute hereinabove quoted in this section, by article II, section 1(i) of the city charter and by common law, the municipality makes provisions herein to exercise its powers to repair, close or demolish the structures of the nature and conditions hereinabove described and to remove and abate the nuisances in the manner herein set forth. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-603. Procedure for enforcement of this chapter. (1) Whenever a petition is filed with the public officer by a public authority or by at least five (5) residents of the municipality charging that any structure is unfit for human occupation or use, or whenever it appears to the public officer (on his own motion) that any structure is unfit for human occupation or use, the public officer shall, if his preliminary investigation discloses a basis for such charges, issue and cause to be served upon the owner and parties in interest of such structure, a complaint stating the charges in that respect and containing a notice that a hearing will be held before the public officer (or his designated agent) at a time and place therein fixed not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days after the serving of said complaint; that the owner and parties in interest shall be given the right to file an answer to the complaint and to appear in person, or otherwise, and give testimony at the place and time fixed in the complaint; and that the rules of evidence prevailing in courts of law or equity shall not be controlling in hearings before the public officer.

(2) If, after such notice and hearing, the public officer determines that the structure under consideration is unfit for human occupation or use, he shall state in writing his findings of fact in support of such determination and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner thereof an order: (a) if the repair, alteration or improvement of the said dwelling can be made at a reasonable cost in relation to the value of the structure (not to exceed thirty percent (30%) of the
value of the dwelling), requiring the owner, within the time specified in the order, to repair, alter, or improve such structure to render it fit for human occupation or use or to vacate and close the structure as a place of human occupation or use or; (b) if the repair, alteration or improvement of the said dwelling cannot be made at a reasonable cost in relation to the value of the structure (not to exceed fifty (50%) percent of the value of the structure) requiring the owner, within the time specified in the order, to remove or demolish such structure;

(3) If the owner fails to comply with an order to repair, alter, or improve or to vacate and close the structure, the public officer may cause such structure to be repaired, altered, or improved, or to be vacated and closed; that the public officer may cause to be posted on the main entrance of any structure so closed, a placard with the following words: "This building is unfit for human occupation or use; The use or occupation of this building for human occupation or use is prohibited and unlawful";

(4) If the owner fails to comply with an order to remove or demolish the structure, the public officer may cause such structure to be removed or demolished; and,

(5) The amount of the cost of such repairs, alterations or improvements, or vacating and closing, or removal of demolition by the public officer shall be assessed and collected as provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 13-21-103(6) which, by reference, is hereby made a part of this chapter as fully as if copied here verbatim, and credit shall be given for the proceeds of sale of materials as therein set out.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to impair or limit in any way the power of the municipality to define and declare nuisances and to cause their removal or abatement by summary proceedings or otherwise. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-604. Conditions rendering structure unfit for human occupation or use.
The public officer may determine that a dwelling is unfit for human occupation or use if he finds that conditions exist in such structure which are dangerous or injurious to the health, safety or morals of the occupants of such structure, the occupants of neighboring structures or other residents of the municipality; such conditions may include the following (without limiting the generality of the foregoing); defects therein increasing the hazards of fire, accident, or other calamities; lack of adequate ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities; dilapidation; disrepair; structural defects; or uncleanness or any structure which has been damaged by fire, wind or other causes so as to have become dangerous to life, safety, morals, or the general health and welfare of any person or persons who occupy, or who might seek to occupy, the same, or to the general public;
Or, any structure which does not contain adequate, functional toilet facilities for sanitary and lawful disposal of human excreta;
Or, any structure or building of any kind, from which, because of age, dilapidation, decay, or uncleanliness or unsanitary conditions, there emanates obnoxious odors; or,
Any structure or building of any kind which, or the premises of which, is the subject of infestation of undesirable or harmful plants or animals, which infestation is not being reasonably resisted or treated for elimination. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-605. Abatement of nuisances. Pursuant to authority of the charter of the municipality, particularly that portion referred to in the foregoing section 8-602 hereof, all the foregoing conditions defining structures not fit for human occupancy or use are declared to be a nuisance and are applicable to any building in the municipality whether a dwelling or structure as herein defined, or a building intended for retail, commercial or industrial use, and the procedures set forth herein, although not exclusive but in addition to all other available remedies, may be used in the removal and abatement of such nuisances.

8-606. Service of complaints or orders. Complaints or orders issued by the public officer pursuant to this chapter shall be served upon persons either personally or by registered mail, but if the whereabouts of such persons is unknown and the same cannot be ascertained by the public officer in the exercise of reasonable diligence, and the public officer shall make an affidavit to that effect, then the serving of such complaint or order upon such persons may be made by publishing the same one each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed and published in the municipality, or in the absence of such newspaper, in one printed and published in the county and circulating in the municipality in which the structures are located. A copy of such complaint or order shall be posted in a conspicuous place on premises affected by the complaint or order. A copy of such complaint or order shall also be filed for record in the Register's Office of Crockett County, and such filing of the Complaint or order shall have the same force and effect as other lis pendens notices provided by law. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-607. Enjoining enforcement of order. Any person affected by an order issued by the public officer may file a bill in the chancery court for an injunction restraining the public officer from carrying out the provisions of the order, and the court may, upon the filing of such bill, issue a temporary injunction restraining the public officer pending the final disposition of the cause; provided, however, that within sixty (60) days after the posting and service of
the order of the public officer, such person shall file such bill in the court. Hearings shall be had by the court on such bills within (20) days, or as soon thereafter as possible, and shall be given preference over other matters on the court’s calendar.

The court shall hear and determine the issues raised and shall enter such final order or decree as law and justice may require. In all such proceedings the findings of the public officer as to facts, if supported by evidence, shall be conclusive. Costs shall be in the discretion of the court. The remedies herein provided shall be exclusive remedies and no person affected by an order of the public officer shall be entitled to recover any damages for action taken pursuant to any order of the public officer, or because of noncompliance by such person with any order of the public officer. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-608. Powers of the public officer. The public officer is hereby authorized to exercise such powers as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this chapter including the following powers in addition to others herein granted: (1) to investigate the conditions in the municipality in order to determine which structures therein are unfit for human occupation or use; (2) to administer oaths, affirmations, examine witnesses and receive evidence; (3) to enter upon premises for the purpose of making examinations, provided that such entries shall be made in such manner as to cause the least possible inconvenience to the persons in possession; (4) to appoint and fix the duties of such officers, agents and employees as he deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter; and (5) to delegate any of his functions and powers under this chapter to such officers and agents as he may designate. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)

8-609. Annual expenses and costs. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee, shall as soon as possible after date of adoption of this chapter, prepare an estimate of the annual expenses. (Ord. #96-01(B), July 1996)
TITLE 9

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

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9-101. Motor vehicle requirements. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle within the corporate limits unless such vehicle is equipped with properly operating muffler, lights, brakes, horn, and such other equipment as is prescribed and required by chapter 9, title 55, of the Tennessee Code Annotated.

9-102. Authorized emergency vehicles defined. Authorized emergency vehicles shall be fire department vehicles, police vehicles, and such ambulances and other emergency vehicles as are designated by the chief of police.

9-103. Operation of authorized emergency vehicles.¹ (1) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call, or when in the pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, or when responding to but not upon returning from a fire alarm, may exercise the privileges set forth in this section, subject to the conditions herein stated.

   (2) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle may park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this title; proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down to ascertain that the intersection is clear; exceed the maximum speed limit and disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions so long as he does not endanger life or property.

   (3) The exemptions herein granted for an authorized emergency vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any such vehicle while in motion sounds an audible signal by bell, siren, or exhaust whistle and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one (1) lighted lamp displaying a red and/or blue light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet to the front of such vehicle, except that an authorized emergency vehicle operated as a police vehicle need not be equipped with or display a red and/or blue light visible from in front of the vehicle.

   (4) The foregoing provisions shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the

¹See section 9-401 in this code for provisions with respect to the operation of other vehicles upon the approach of emergency vehicles.
safety of all persons, nor shall such provisions protect the driver from the consequences of his reckless disregard for the safety of others.

9-104. **Following emergency vehicles.** No driver of any vehicle shall follow any authorized emergency vehicle apparently traveling in response to an emergency call closer than five hundred (500) feet or drive or park any vehicle within the block where fire apparatus has stopped in answer to a fire alarm.

9-105. **Running over fire hoses, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to drive over any hose lines or other equipment of the fire department except in obedience to the direction of a fireman or policeman.

9-106. **Driving on streets closed for repairs, etc.** Except for necessary access to property abutting thereon, no motor vehicle shall be driven upon any street that is barricaded or closed for repairs or other lawful purpose.

9-107. **Reckless driving.** Irrespective of the posted speed limit, no person, including operators of emergency vehicles, shall drive any vehicle in willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property.

9-108. **Driving under the influence.** (See the Tennessee Code Annotated, sections 55-10-401, 55-10-303, and 55-10-307)

9-109. **One-way streets.** On any street for one-way traffic with posted signs indicating the authorized direction of travel at all intersections offering access thereto, no person shall operate any vehicle except in the indicated direction.

9-110. **Unlaned streets.** (1) Upon all unlaned streets of sufficient width, a vehicle shall be driven upon the right half of the street except:

(a) When lawfully overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction.

(b) When the right half of a roadway is closed to traffic while under construction or repair.

(c) Upon a roadway designated and signposted by the municipality for one-way traffic.

(2) All vehicles proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing shall be driven as close as practicable to the right hand curb or edge of the roadway, except when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or when preparing for a left turn.
9-111. Laned streets. On streets marked with traffic lanes, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep his vehicle within the boundaries of the proper lane for his direction of travel except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

On two (2) lane and three (3) lane streets, the proper lane for travel shall be the right hand lane unless otherwise clearly marked. On streets with four (4) or more lanes, either of the right hand lanes shall be available for use except that traffic moving at less than the normal rate of speed shall use the extreme right hand lane. On one-way streets either lane may be lawfully used in the absence of markings to the contrary.

9-112. Yellow lines. On streets with a yellow line placed to the right of any lane line or center line, such yellow line shall designate a no-passing zone, and no operator shall drive his vehicle or any part thereof across or to the left of such yellow line except when necessary to make a lawful left turn from such street.

9-113. Miscellaneous traffic-control signs, etc.¹ It shall be unlawful for any pedestrian or the operator of any vehicle to violate or fail to comply with any traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device placed or erected by the state or the municipality unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

It shall be unlawful for any pedestrian or the operator of any vehicle willfully to violate or fail to comply with the reasonable directions of any police officer.

9-114. General requirements for traffic-control signs, etc. All traffic-control signs, signals, markings, and devices shall conform to the latest revision of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways,² published by the U. S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and shall, so far as practicable, be uniform as to type and location throughout the municipality. This section shall not be construed as being mandatory but is merely directive.

9-115. Unauthorized traffic-control signs, etc. No person shall place, maintain, or display upon or in view of any street, any unauthorized sign,

¹See also sections 9-405--9-409 in this code.

²This manual may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.
signal, marking, or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to control the movement of traffic or parking of vehicles, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device or any railroad sign or signal.

9-116. Presumption with respect to traffic-control signs, etc. When a traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device has been placed, the presumption shall be that it is official and that it has been lawfully placed by the proper authority. All presently installed traffic-control signs, signals, markings, and devices are hereby expressly authorized, ratified, approved, and made official.

9-117. School safety patrols. All motorists and pedestrians shall obey the directions or signals of school safety patrols when such patrols are assigned under the authority of the chief of police and are acting in accordance with instructions; provided, that such persons giving any order, signal, or direction shall at the time be wearing some insignia and/or using authorized flags for giving signals.

9-118. Driving through funerals or other processions. Except when otherwise directed by a police officer, no driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated.

9-119. Damaging pavements. No person shall operate or cause to be operated upon any street of the town any vehicle, motor propelled or otherwise, which by reason of its weight or the character of its wheels, tires, or track is likely to damage the surface or foundation of the street.

9-120. Clinging to vehicles in motion. It shall be unlawful for any person traveling upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, or any other vehicle to cling to, or attach himself or his vehicle to any other moving vehicle upon any street, alley, or other public way or place.

9-121. Riding on outside of vehicles. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, or for the owner or operator of any motor vehicle being operated on a street, alley, or other public way or place to permit any person to ride on any portion of such vehicle not designed or intended for the use of passengers. This section shall not apply to persons engaged in the necessary discharge of lawful duties nor to persons riding in the load-carrying space of trucks.
9-122. **Backing vehicles.** The driver of a vehicle shall not back the same unless such movement can be made with reasonable safety and without interfering with other traffic.

9-123. **Projections from the rear of vehicles.** Whenever the load or any projecting portion of any vehicle shall extend beyond the rear of the bed or body thereof, the operator shall display at the end of such load or projection, in such position as to be clearly visible from the rear of such vehicle, a red flag being not less than twelve (12) inches square. Between one-half (0.5) hour after sunset and one-half (0.5) hour before sunrise, there shall be displayed in place of the flag a red light plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions at least two hundred (200) feet from the rear of such vehicle.

9-124. **Causing unnecessary noise.** It shall be unlawful for any person to cause unnecessary noise by unnecessarily sounding the horn, "racing" the motor, or causing the "screeching" or "squealing" of the tires on any motor vehicle.

9-125. **Vehicles and operators to be licensed.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in violation of the "Tennessee Motor Vehicle Title and Registration Law" or the "Uniform Motor Vehicle Operators' and Chauffeurs' License Law."

9-126. **Passing.** Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of a vehicle passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the street until safely clear of the overtaken vehicle. The driver of the overtaken vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

When the street is wide enough, the driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass upon the right of another vehicle which is making or about to make a left turn.

The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction either upon the left or upon the right on a street of sufficient width for four (4) or more lanes of moving traffic when such movement can be made in safety.

No person shall drive off the pavement or upon the shoulder of the street in overtaking or passing on the right.

When any vehicle has stopped at a marked crosswalk or at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the street, no operator of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.
No vehicle operator shall attempt to pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction unless he can see that the way ahead is sufficiently clear and unobstructed to enable him to make the movement in safety.

9-127. Motorcycle, bicycle riders, etc. (1) Every person riding or operating a bicycle, motorcycle, or motor driven cycle shall be subject to the provisions of all traffic ordinances, rules, and regulations of the town applicable to the driver or operator of other vehicles except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application to bicycles, motorcycles, or motor driven cycles.

(2) No person operating or riding a bicycle, motorcycle, or motor driven cycle shall ride other than upon or astride the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, nor shall the operator carry any other person upon such vehicle other than upon a firmly attached and regular seat thereon.

(3) No bicycle, motorcycle, or motor driven cycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

(4) No person operating a bicycle, motorcycle, or motor driven cycle shall carry any package, bundle, or article which prevents the rider from keeping both hands upon the handlebar.

(5) No person under the age of sixteen (16) years shall operate any motorcycle or motor driven cycle while any other person is a passenger upon said motor vehicle.

(6) Each driver of a motorcycle or motor driven cycle and any passenger thereon shall be required to wear on his head a crash helmet of a type approved by the state's commissioner of safety.

(7) Every motorcycle or motor driven cycle operated upon any public way within the corporate limits shall be equipped with a windshield or, in the alternative, the operator and any passenger on any such motorcycle or motor driven cycle shall be required to wear safety goggles, faceshields, or glasses containing impact resistant lenses for the purpose of preventing any flying object from striking the operator or any passenger in the eyes.

(8) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or ride on any vehicle in violation of this section, and it shall also be unlawful for any parent or guardian knowingly to permit any minor to operate a motorcycle or motor driven cycle in violation of this section.
CHAPTER 2

SPEED LIMITS

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9-201. In general. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon any highway or street at a rate of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour except where official signs have been posted indicating other speed limits in which cases the posted speed limit shall apply.

9-202. At intersections. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle through any intersection at a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour unless such person is driving on a street regulated by traffic control signals or signs which require traffic to stop or yield on the intersecting streets.

9-203. In school zones. When special speed limits in school zones have been enacted pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, section 55-8-152, it shall be unlawful for any person to violate any such special speed limit.

When the board of mayor and aldermen has not established special speed limits as provided for in Tennessee Code Annotated, section 55-8-152, any person who shall drive at a speed exceeding fifteen (15) miles per hour when passing a school during a recess period when a warning flasher or flashers are in operation, or during a period of forty (40) minutes before the opening hour of a school or a period of forty (40) minutes after the closing hour of a school, while children are actually going to or leaving school, shall be prima facie guilty of reckless driving.

9-204. In congested areas. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle through any congested area at a rate of speed in excess

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1Tennessee Code Annotated, section 55-8-152 generally provides that special speed limits in school zones shall be enacted based on an engineering study, shall not be less than 15 miles per hour and shall be in effect only when proper signs are posted with a warning flasher or flashers in operation.
of any posted speed limit when such speed limit has been posted by authority of the town.
CHAPTER 3

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9-301. Generally. No person operating a motor vehicle shall make any turning movement which might affect any pedestrian or the operation of any other vehicle without first ascertaining that such movement can be made in safety and signaling his intention in accordance with the requirements of the state law.¹

9-302. Right turns. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practicable to the right hand curb or edge of the roadway.

9-303. Left turns on two-way roadways. At any intersection where traffic is permitted to move in both directions on each roadway entering the intersection, an approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the center line thereof and by passing to the right of the intersection of the center lines of the two roadways.

9-304. Left turns on other than two-way roadways. At any intersection where traffic is restricted to one direction on one or more of the roadways, the driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at any such intersection shall approach the intersection in the extreme left hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of such vehicle and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection, as nearly as practicable, in the left hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in such direction upon the roadway being entered.

9-305. U-turns. U-turns are prohibited.

¹See Tennessee Code Annotated, section 55-8-143.
CHAPTER 4

STOPPING AND YIELDING

SECTION


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9-401. Upon approach of authorized emergency vehicles. Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle meeting the requirements of the laws of this state, the driver of every other vehicle shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right hand edge or curb of the roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in such position until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed, except when otherwise directed by a police officer.

9-402. When emerging from alleys, etc. The drivers of all vehicles emerging from alleys, parking lots, driveways, or buildings shall stop such vehicles immediately prior to driving onto any sidewalk or street. They shall not proceed to drive onto the sidewalk or street until they can safely do so without colliding or interfering with approaching pedestrians or vehicles.

9-403. To prevent obstructing an intersection. No driver shall enter any intersection or marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of such intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle he is operating without obstructing the passage of traffic in or on the intersecting street or crosswalk. This provision shall be effective notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed.

9-404. At "stop" signs. The driver of a vehicle facing a "stop" sign shall bring his vehicle to a complete stop immediately before entering the crosswalk.

\(^1\)See section 9-102 in this code.
on the near side of the intersection or, if there is no crosswalk, then immediately before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until he can proceed through the intersection in safety.

9-405. At "yield" signs. The drivers of all vehicles shall yield the right of way to approaching vehicles before proceeding at all places where "yield" signs have been posted.

9-406. At traffic-control signals generally. Traffic-control signals exhibiting the words "Go," "Caution," or "Stop," or exhibiting different colored lights successively one at a time, or with arrows, shall show the following colors only and shall apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

(1) Green alone, or "Go":
   (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at such place prohibits such turn. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right of way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.
   (b) Pedestrians facing the signal may proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

(2) Steady yellow alone, or "Caution":
   (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal is thereby warned that the red or "Stop" signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter, and such vehicular traffic shall not enter or be crossing the intersection when the red or "Stop" signal is exhibited.
   (b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(3) Steady red alone, or "Stop":
   (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until green or "Go" is shown alone. Provided, however, that generally a right turn on a red signal shall be permitted at all intersections within the municipality, provided that the prospective turning car comes to a full and complete stop before turning and that the turning car yields the right of way to pedestrians and cross traffic traveling in accordance with their traffic signal. However, said turn shall not endanger other traffic lawfully using said intersection. A right turn on red shall be permitted at all intersections except those clearly marked by a "No Turns On Red" sign, which may be erected by the municipality at intersections which the
municipality decides require no right turns on red in the interest of traffic safety.

(b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

4) Steady red with green arrow:
(a) Vehicular traffic facing such signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by such arrow but shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully within a crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.
(b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

5) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made a vehicle length short of the signal.

9-407. At flashing traffic-control signals. (1) Whenever an illuminated flashing red or yellow signal is used in a traffic sign or signal placed or erected in the municipality it shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:
(a) Flashing red (stop signal). When a red lens is illuminated with intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, or if none, then before entering the intersection, and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.
(b) Flashing yellow (caution signal). When a yellow lens is illuminated with intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past such signal only with caution.

9-408. At pedestrian-control signals. Wherever special pedestrian-control signals exhibiting the words "Walk" or "Wait" or "Don't Walk" have been placed or erected by the municipality, such signals shall apply as follows:
(1) Walk. Pedestrians facing such signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal and shall be given the right of way by the drivers of all vehicles.
(2) Wait or Don't Walk. No pedestrian shall start to cross the roadway in the direction of such signal, but any pedestrian who has partially completed his crossing on the walk signal shall proceed to the nearest sidewalk or safety zone while the wait signal is showing.
9-409. **Stops to be signaled.** No person operating a motor vehicle shall stop such vehicle, whether in obedience to a traffic sign or signal or otherwise, without first signaling his intention in accordance with the requirements of the state law,\(^1\) except in an emergency.

\(^1\)See section 55-8-143, *Tennessee Code Annotated.*
CHAPTER 5

PARKING

SECTION

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9-501. Generally. No person shall leave any motor vehicle unattended on any street without first setting the brakes thereon, stopping the motor, removing the ignition key, and turning the front wheels of such vehicle toward the nearest curb or gutter of the street.

Except as hereinafter provided, every vehicle parked upon a street within this town shall be so parked that its right wheels are approximately parallel to and within eighteen (18) inches of the right edge or curb of the street. On one-way streets where the town has not placed signs prohibiting the same, vehicles may be permitted to park on the left side of the street, and in such cases the left wheels shall be required to be within eighteen (18) inches of the left edge or curb of the street.

Notwithstanding anything else in this code to the contrary, no person shall park or leave a vehicle parked on any public street or alley for more than seventy-two (72) consecutive hours without the prior approval of the chief of police.

Furthermore, no person shall wash, grease, or work on any vehicle, except to make repairs necessitated by an emergency, while such vehicle is parked on a public street.

9-502. Angle parking. On those streets which have been signed or marked by the town for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle indicated by such signs or markings. No person shall angle park any vehicle which has a trailer attached thereto or which has a length in excess of twenty-four (24) feet.

9-503. Occupancy of more than one space. No person shall park a vehicle in any designated parking space so that any part of such vehicle occupies more than one such space or protrudes beyond the official markings on the street or curb designating such space unless the vehicle is too large to be parked within a single designated space.
9-504. **Where prohibited.** No person shall park a vehicle in violation of any sign placed or erected by the state or town, nor:

1. On a sidewalk.
2. In front of a public or private driveway.
3. Within an intersection or within fifteen (15) feet thereof.
4. Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant.
5. Within a pedestrian crosswalk.
6. Within twenty (20) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station, and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five (75) feet of the entrance.
7. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when other traffic would be obstructed.
8. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.
9. Upon any bridge.
10. Alongside any curb painted yellow or red by the town.

9-505. **Loading and unloading zones.** No person shall park a vehicle for any purpose or period of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or merchandise in any place marked by the municipality as a loading and unloading zone.

9-506. **Presumption with respect to illegal parking.** When any unoccupied vehicle is found parked in violation of any provision of this chapter, there shall be a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of the vehicle is responsible for such illegal parking.
CHAPTER 6

ENFORCEMENT

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9-601. Issuance of traffic citations.
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9-603. Illegal parking.
9-604. Impoundment of vehicles.
9-605. Disposal of "abandoned motor vehicles."

9-601. Issuance of traffic citations. When a police officer halts a traffic violator other than for the purpose of giving a warning, and does not take such person into custody under arrest, he shall take the name, address, and operator's license number of said person, the license number of the motor vehicle involved, and such other pertinent information as may be necessary, and shall issue to him a written traffic citation containing a notice to answer the charge against him in the town court at a specified time. The officer, upon receiving the written promise of the alleged violator to answer as specified in the citation, shall release such person from custody. It shall be unlawful for any alleged violator to give false or misleading information as to his name or address.

9-602. Failure to obey citation. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate his written promise to appear in court after giving said promise to an officer upon the issuance of a traffic citation, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which the citation was originally issued.

9-603. Illegal parking. Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by this code, the officer finding such vehicle shall take its license number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a citation for the driver and/or owner to answer for the violation within ten (10) days during the hours and at a place specified in the citation.

The offender may waive his right to a judicial hearing and have the charges disposed of out of court, but the fines shall be three dollars ($3.00) within ten (10) days and five dollars ($5.00) thereafter.

9-604. Impoundment of vehicles. Members of the police department are hereby authorized, when reasonably necessary for the security of the vehicle or to prevent obstruction of traffic, to remove from the streets and impound any vehicle whose operator is arrested or any unattended vehicle which is parked
so as to constitute an obstruction or hazard to normal traffic. Any impounded vehicle shall be stored until the owner or other person entitled thereto claims it, gives satisfactory evidence of ownership or right to possession, and pays all applicable fees and costs, or until it is otherwise lawfully disposed of. The fee for impounding a vehicle shall be five dollars ($5.00) and the storage cost shall be one dollar ($1.00) for each twenty-four (24) hour period or fraction thereof that the vehicle is stored.

9-605. Disposal of "abandoned motor vehicles." "Abandoned motor vehicles," as defined in section 55-16-103, Tennessee Code Annotated, shall be impounded and disposed of by the police department in accordance with the provisions of sections 55-16-103 through 55-16-109, Tennessee Code Annotated.
TITLE 10

OFFENSES--MISCELLANEOUS

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CHAPTER 1

GENERALLY

SECTION

10-101. Misdemeanors of the state adopted. All offenses against the State of Tennessee which are committed within the corporate limits and which are defined by the state law or are recognized by the Common Law to be misdemeanors are hereby designated and declared to be offenses against this town also. Any violation of any such law within the corporate limits is also a violation of this section.

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1For offenses relating to animals and fowls, see title 3 in this code; for offenses relating to health and sanitation, see title 8; for traffic offenses, see title 9; for non-traffic offenses relating to streets and sidewalks, see title 12.

2See Tennessee Code Annotated, section 39-1-103 and 39-1-104, for definitions of "misdemeanor."
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10-201. Assault and battery. It shall be unlawful for any person to commit an assault or an assault and battery upon any person.
10-202. Disturbing the peace. No person shall disturb, tend to disturb, or aid in disturbing the peace of others by violent, tumultuous, offensive, or obstreperous conduct, and no person shall knowingly permit such conduct upon any premises owned or possessed by him or under his control.

10-203. Disorderly houses. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep a disorderly house or house of ill fame for the purpose of prostitution or lewdness or where drunkenness, quarrelling, fighting, or other breaches of the peace are carried on or permitted to the disturbance of others. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to visit any such house for the purpose of engaging in such activities.

10-204. Immoral conduct. No person shall commit, offer, or agree to commit, nor shall any person secure or offer another for the purpose of committing, a lewd or adulterous act or an act of prostitution or moral perversion; nor shall any person knowingly transport or direct or offer to transport or direct any person to any place or building for the purpose of committing any lewd act or act of prostitution or moral perversion; nor shall any person knowingly receive, or offer or agree to receive any person into any place or building for the purpose of performing a lewd act, or an act of prostitution or moral perversion, or knowingly permit any person to remain in any place or building for any such purpose.

10-205. Obscene literature, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person to publish, sell, exhibit, distribute, or possess for the purpose of lending, selling, or otherwise circulating or exhibiting, any book, pamphlet, ballad, movie film, filmstrip, phonograph record, or other written, printed, or filmed matter containing obscene language, prints, pictures, or descriptions manifestly intended to corrupt the morals.

10-206. Indecent or improper exposure or dress. It shall be unlawful for any person publicly to appear naked or in any dress not appropriate to his or her sex, or in any indecent or lewd dress, or otherwise to make any indecent exposure of his or her person.

10-207. Window peeping. No person shall spy, peer, or peep into any window of any residence or dwelling premise that he does not occupy, nor shall he loiter around or within view of any such window with the intent of watching or looking through it.
10-208. **Profanity, etc.** No person shall use any profane, vulgar, or indecent language in or near any public street or other public place or in or around any place of business open to the use of the public in general.

10-209. **Escape from custody or confinement.** It shall be unlawful for any person under arrest or otherwise in custody of or confined by the town to escape or attempt to escape, or for any other person to assist or encourage such person to escape or attempt to escape from such custody or confinement.

10-210. **Resisting or interfering with town personnel.** It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to resist or in any way interfere with or attempt to interfere with any officer or employee of the town while such officer or employee is performing or attempting to perform his municipal duties.

10-211. **Impersonating a government officer or employee.** No person other than an official police officer of the town shall wear the uniform, apparel, or badge, or carry any identification card or other insignia of office like or similar to, or a colorable imitation of that adopted and worn or carried by the official police officers of the town. Furthermore, no person shall deceitfully impersonate or represent that he is any government officer or employee.

10-212. **Weapons and firearms generally.** It shall be unlawful for any person to carry in any manner whatever, with the intent to go armed, any razor, dirk, knife, blackjack, brass knucks, pistol, revolver, or any other dangerous weapon or instrument except the army or navy pistol which shall be carried openly in the hand. However, the foregoing prohibition shall not apply to members of the United States Armed Forces carrying such weapons as are prescribed by applicable regulations nor to any officer or policeman engaged in his official duties, in the execution of process, or while searching for or engaged in arresting persons suspected of having committed crimes. Furthermore, the prohibition shall not apply to persons who may have been summoned by such officer or policeman to assist in the discharge of his said duties. It shall also be unlawful for any unauthorized person to discharge a firearm within the town.

10-213. **Air rifles, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person in the town to discharge any air gun, air pistol, air rifle, "BB" gun, or sling shot capable of discharging a metal bullet or pellet, whether propelled by spring, compressed air, expanding gas, explosive, or other force-producing means or method.

10-214. **Throwing of missiles.** It shall be unlawful for any person maliciously to throw any stone, snowball, bottle, or any other missile upon or at
any vehicle, building, tree, or other public or private property or upon or at any person.

10-215. **Gambling.** It shall be unlawful for any person to play at any game of hazard or chance for money or other valuable thing or to make or accept any bet or wager for money or other valuable thing.

10-216. **Promotion of gambling.** It shall be unlawful for any person to encourage, promote, aid, or assist the playing at any game, or the making of any bet or wager, for money or other valuable thing, or to possess, keep, or exhibit for the purpose of gambling, any gaming table, device, ticket, or any other gambling paraphernalia.

10-217. **False emergency alarms.** It shall be unlawful for any person intentionally to make, turn in, or give a false alarm of fire, or of need for police or ambulance assistance, or to aid or abet in the commission of such an act.

10-218. **Loitering.** It shall be unlawful for any person without legitimate business or purpose to loaf, loiter, wander, or idle in, upon, or about any way or place customarily open to public use.

10-219. **Prowling.** It shall be unlawful for any person to prowl or wander about the streets, alleys, or other public or private ways or places, or be found abroad at night, between the hours of midnight and 6:00 A.M., without any visible or lawful business and when unable to give a satisfactory account of himself.

10-220. **Vagrancy.** It shall be unlawful for any person to beg or solicit alms or, if without apparent lawful means of support, willfully to neglect to apply himself to some honest occupation.

10-221. **Minors in beer places.** No person under eighteen (18) years of age shall loiter in or around, work in, or otherwise frequent any place where beer is sold at retail for consumption on the premises.

10-222. **Abandoned refrigerators, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to leave in any place accessible to children any abandoned, unattended, unused, or discarded refrigerator, icebox, or other container with any type latching or locking door without first removing therefrom the latch, lock, or door.

10-223. **Curfew for minors.** It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to be abroad at night between 11:00 P.M. and 5:00
A.M. unless going directly to or from a lawful activity or upon a legitimate errand for, or accompanied by, a parent, guardian, or other adult person having lawful custody of such minor.

10-224. **Malicious mischief.** It shall be unlawful and deemed to be malicious mischief for any person willfully, maliciously, or wantonly to damage, deface, destroy, conceal, tamper with, remove, or withhold real or personal property which does not belong to him.

10-225. **Trespassing.** The owner or person in charge of any lot or parcel of land or any building or other structure within the corporate limits may post the same against trespassers. It shall be unlawful for any person to go upon any such posted lot or parcel of land or into any such posted building or other structure without the consent of the owner or person in charge.

It shall also be unlawful and deemed to be a trespass for any peddler, canvasser, solicitor, transient merchant, or other person to fail to leave promptly the private premises of any person who requests or directs him to leave.

10-226. **Posting notices, etc.** No person shall fasten, in any way, any show-card, poster, or other advertising device upon any public or private property unless legally authorized to do so.

10-227. **Public drunkenness.** (See the Tennessee Code Annotated, sections 39-6-925, et seq; see also title 33, ch.8)

10-228. **Drinking beer, etc., on streets, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to drink or consume, or have an open container of beer or intoxicating liquor in or on any public street, alley, avenue, highway, sidewalk, public park, public school ground, or other public place unless the place has an appropriate permit and/or license for on premises consumption.

10-229. **Coercing people not to work.** It shall be unlawful for any person in association or agreement with any other person to assemble, congregate, or meet together in the vicinity of any premises where other persons are employed or reside for the purpose of inducing any such other person by threats, coercion, intimidation, or acts of violence to quit or refrain from entering a place of lawful employment. It expressly is not the purpose of this section to prohibit peaceful picketing.

10-230. **Caves, wells, cisterns, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to permit to be maintained on property owned or occupied by him any cave, well,
cistern, or other such opening in the ground which is dangerous to life and limb without placing thereon an adequate cover or safeguard.

10-231. Interference with traffic. It shall be unlawful for any person to stand, sit, or engage in any activity whatever on any public street, sidewalk, bridge, or public ground in such a manner as to prevent, obstruct, or interfere unreasonably with the free passage of pedestrian or vehicular traffic thereon.

10-232. Antinoise regulations. Subject to the provisions of this section, the creating of any unreasonably loud, disturbing, and unnecessary noise is prohibited. Noise of such character, intensity, or duration as to be detrimental to the life or health of any individual, or in disturbance of the public peace and welfare is prohibited.

1) Miscellaneous prohibited noises enumerated. The following acts, among others, are declared to be loud, disturbing, and unnecessary noises in violation of this section, but this enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive, namely:

   a) Blowing horns. The sounding of any horn or signal device on any automobile, motorcycle, bus, truck, or other vehicle while not in motion except as a danger signal if another vehicle is approaching, apparently out of control, or if in motion, only as a danger signal after or as brakes are being applied and deceleration of the vehicle is intended; the creation by means of any such signal device of any unreasonably loud or harsh sound; and the sounding of such device for an unnecessary and unreasonable period of time.

   b) Radios, phonographs, etc. The playing of any radio, phonograph, or any musical instrument or sound device, including but not limited to loudspeakers or other devices for reproduction or amplification of sound, either independently of or in connection with motion pictures, radio, or television, in such a manner or with such volume, particularly during the hours between 11:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M., as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of persons in any office or hospital, or in any dwelling, hotel, or other type of residence, or of any person in the vicinity.

   c) Yelling, shouting, etc. Yelling, shouting, whistling, or singing on the public streets, particularly between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. or at any time or place so as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of any persons in any hospital, dwelling, hotel, or other type of residence, or of any person in the vicinity.

   d) Pets. The keeping of any animal, bird, or fowl which by causing frequent or long continued noise shall disturb the comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity.
(e) **Use of vehicle.** The use of any automobile, motorcycle, truck, or vehicle so out of repair, so loaded, or in such manner as to cause loud and unnecessary grating, grinding, rattling, or other noise.

(f) **Blowing whistles.** The blowing of any steam whistle attached to any stationary boiler, except to give notice of the time to begin or stop work or as a warning of fire or danger, or upon request of proper municipal authorities.

(g) **Exhaust discharge.** To discharge into the open air the exhaust of any steam engine, stationary internal combustion engine, motor vehicle, or boat engine, except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises therefrom.

(h) **Building operations.** The erection (including excavation), demolition, alteration, or repair of any building in any residential area or section or the construction or repair of streets and highways in any residential area or section, other than between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. on week days, except in case of urgent necessity in the interest of public health and safety, and then only with a permit from the town recorder granted for a period while the emergency continues not to exceed thirty (30) days. If the town recorder should determine that the public health and safety will not be impaired by the erection, demolition, alteration, or repair of any building or the excavation of streets and highways between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M., and if he shall further determine that loss or inconvenience would result to any party in interest through delay, he may grant permission for such work to be done between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M. upon application being made at the time the permit for the work is awarded or during the process of the work.

(i) **Noises near schools, hospitals, churches, etc.** The creation of any excessive noise on any street adjacent to any hospital or adjacent to any school, institution of learning, church, or court while the same is in session.

(j) **Loading and unloading operations.** The creation of any loud and excessive noise in connection with the loading or unloading of any vehicle or the opening and destruction of bales, boxes, crates, and other containers.

(k) **Noises to attract attention.** The use of any drum, loudspeaker, or other instrument or device emitting noise for the purpose of attracting attention to any performance, show, or sale or display of merchandise.

(l) **Loudspeakers or amplifiers on vehicles.** The use of mechanical loudspeakers or amplifiers on trucks or other moving or standing vehicles for advertising or other purposes.
(2) **Exceptions.** None of the terms or prohibitions hereof shall apply to or be enforced against:

(a) **Municipal vehicles.** Any vehicle of the municipality while engaged upon necessary public business.

(b) **Repair of streets, etc.** Excavations or repairs of bridges, streets, or highways at night, by or on behalf of the municipality, the county, or the state, when the public welfare and convenience renders it impracticable to perform such work during the day.

(c) **Noncommercial and nonprofit use of loudspeakers or amplifiers.** The reasonable use of amplifiers or loudspeakers in the course of public addresses which are noncommercial in character and in the course of advertising functions sponsored by nonprofit organizations. However, no such use shall be made until a permit therefor is secured from the recorder. Hours for the use of an amplifier or public address system will be designated in the permit so issued and the use of such systems shall be restricted to the hours so designated in the permit.

10-233. **Fortune telling, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to hold himself forth to the public as a fortune teller, clairvoyant, hypnotist, spiritualist, palmist, phrenologist, or other mystic endowed with supernatural powers.
TITLE 11

PLANNING AND ZONING

(RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE)
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STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS AND PLACES

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CHAPTER 1
MISCELLANEOUS

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12-103. Trees, etc., obstructing view at intersections prohibited.
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12-110. Parades, etc., regulated.
12-111. Animals and vehicles on sidewalks.
12-112. Fires in streets, etc.

12-101. Obstructing streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited. No person shall use or occupy any portion of any public street, alley, sidewalk, or right of way for the purpose of storing, selling, or exhibiting any goods, wares, merchandise, or materials.

12-102. Trees projecting over streets, etc., regulated. It shall be unlawful for any property owner or occupant to allow any limbs of trees on his property to project over any street or alley at a height of less than fourteen (14) feet or over any sidewalk at a height of less than eight (8) feet.

12-103. Trees, etc., obstructing view at intersections prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any property owner or occupant to have or maintain on his property any limb of any tree which will project over any street or alley at a height of less than fourteen (14) feet or over any sidewalk at a height of less than eight (8) feet.

12-109. Abutting occupants to keep sidewalks clean, etc. No person shall allow any litter, trash, garbage, or similar material to accumulate or be left on any sidewalk.

See title 9 in this code for related motor vehicle and traffic regulations.
property any tree, shrub, sign, or other obstruction which prevents persons driving vehicles on public streets or alleys from obtaining a clear view of traffic when approaching an intersection.

12-104. Projecting signs and awnings, etc., restricted. Signs, awnings, or other structures which project over any street or other public way shall be erected subject to the requirements established by the board of mayor and aldermen.

12-105. Banners and signs across streets and alleys restricted. It shall be unlawful for any person to place or have placed any banner or sign across or above any public street or alley except when expressly authorized by the governing body after a finding that no hazard will be created by such banner or sign.

12-106. Gates or doors opening over streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or occupying property to allow any gate or door to swing open upon or over any street, alley, or sidewalk except when required by law.

12-107. Littering streets, alleys, or sidewalks prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to litter, place, throw, track, or allow to fall on any street, alley, or sidewalk any refuse, glass, tacks, mud, or other objects or materials which are unsightly or which obstruct or tend to limit or interfere with the use of such public ways and places for their intended purposes.

12-108. Obstruction of drainage ditches. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or cause the obstruction of any drainage ditch in any public right of way.

12-109. Abutting occupants to keep sidewalks clean, etc. The occupants of property abutting on a sidewalk are required to keep the sidewalk clean. Also, immediately after a snow or sleet, such occupants are required to remove all accumulated snow and ice from the abutting sidewalk.

12-110. Parades, etc., regulated. It shall be unlawful for any person, club, organization, or other group to hold any meeting, parade, demonstration, or exhibition on the public streets without some responsible representative first securing a permit from the recorder. No permit shall be issued by the recorder unless such activity will not unreasonably interfere with traffic and unless such representative shall agree to see to the immediate cleaning up of all litter which shall be left on the streets as a result of the activity. Furthermore, it shall be
unlawful for any person obtaining such a permit to fail to carry out his agreement to clean up the resulting litter immediately.

12-111. **Animals and vehicles on sidewalks.** It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, lead, or tie any animal, or ride, push, pull, or place any vehicle across or upon any sidewalk in such manner as unreasonably interferes with or inconveniences pedestrians using the sidewalk. It shall also be unlawful for any person knowingly to allow any minor under his control to violate this section.

12-112. **Fires in streets, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to set or contribute to any fire in any public street, alley, or sidewalk.
CHAPTER 2

EXCAVATIONS AND CUTS

SECTION

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12-201. Permit required. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, association, or others to make any excavation in any street, alley, or public place, or to tunnel under any street, alley, or public place without having first obtained a permit as herein required, and without complying with the provisions of this chapter; and it shall also be unlawful to violate, or vary from, the terms of any such permit; provided, however, any person maintaining pipes, lines, or other underground facilities in or under the surface of any street may proceed with an opening without a permit when emergency circumstances demand the work to be done immediately and a permit cannot reasonably and practicably be obtained beforehand. The person shall thereafter apply for a permit on the first regular business day on which the office of the recorder is open for business, and said permit shall be retroactive to the date when the work was begun.

12-202. Applications. Applications for such permits shall be made to the recorder, or such person as he may designate to receive such applications, and shall state thereon the location of the intended excavation or tunnel, the size thereof, the purpose thereof, the person, firm, corporation, association, or others doing the actual excavating, the name of the person, firm, corporation, association, or others for whom the work is being done, and shall contain an

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1Sections 12-201 through 12-209 in this chapter were patterned substantially after the ordinance upheld by the Tennessee Supreme Court in the case of City of Paris, Tennessee v. Paris-Henry County Public Utility District, 207 Tenn. 388, 340 S.W.2d 885 (1960).
agreement that the applicant will comply with all ordinances and laws relating to the work to be done. Such application shall be rejected or approved by the recorder within twenty-four (24) hours of its filing.

12-203. Fee. The fee for such permits shall be two dollars ($2.00) for excavations which do not exceed twenty-five (25) square feet in area or tunnels not exceeding twenty-five (25) feet in length; and twenty-five cents ($0.25) for each additional square foot in the case of excavations, or lineal foot in the case of tunnels; but not to exceed one hundred dollars ($100.00) for any permit.

12-204. Deposit or bond. No such permit shall be issued unless and until the applicant therefor has deposited with the recorder a cash deposit. The deposit shall be in the sum of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) if no pavement is involved or seventy-five dollars ($75.00) if the excavation is in a paved area and shall insure the proper restoration of the ground and laying of the pavement, if any. Where the amount of the deposit is clearly inadequate to cover the cost of restoration, the recorder may increase the amount of the deposit to an amount considered by him to be adequate to cover the said cost. From this deposit shall be deducted the expense to the town of relaying the surface of the ground or pavement, and of making the refill if this is done by the municipality or at its expense. The balance shall be returned to the applicant without interest after the tunnel or excavation is completely refilled and the surface or pavement is restored.

In lieu of a deposit the applicant may deposit with the recorder a surety bond in such form and amount as the recorder shall deem adequate to cover the costs to the town if the applicant fails to make proper restoration.

12-205. Manner of excavating--barricades and lights--temporary sidewalks. Any person, firm, corporation, association, or others making any excavation or tunnel shall do so according to the terms and conditions of the application and permit authorizing the work to be done. Sufficient and proper barricades and lights shall be maintained to protect persons and property from injury by or because of the excavation being made. If any sidewalk is blocked by any such work, a temporary sidewalk shall be constructed and provided which shall be safe for travel and convenient for users.

12-206. Restoration of streets, etc. Any person, firm, corporation, association, or others making any excavation or tunnel in or under any street, alley, or public place in this municipality shall restore said street, alley, or public place to its original condition except for the surfacing, which shall be done by the town but shall be paid for promptly upon completion by such person, firm, corporation, association, or others for which the excavation or
tunnel was made. In case of unreasonable delay in restoring the street, alley, or public place, the recorder shall give notice to the person, firm, corporation, association, or others that unless the excavation or tunnel is refilled properly within a specified reasonable period of time, the town will do the work and charge the expense of doing the same to such person, firm, corporation, association, or others. If within the specified time the conditions of the above notice have not been complied with, the work shall be done by the town, an accurate account of the expense involved shall be kept, and the total cost shall be charged to the person, firm, corporation, association, or others who made the excavation or tunnel.

12-207. **Insurance.** In addition to making the deposit or giving the bond hereinbefore required to insure that proper restoration is made, each person applying for an excavation permit shall file a certificate of insurance indicating that he is insured against claims for damages for personal injury as well as against claims for property damage which may arise from or out of the performance of the work, whether such performance be by himself, his subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by him. Such insurance shall cover collapse, explosive hazards, and underground work by equipment on the street, and shall include protection against liability arising from completed operations. The amount of the insurance shall be prescribed by the recorder in accordance with the nature of the risk involved; provided, however, that the liability insurance for bodily injury shall not be less than $100,000 for each person and $300,000 for each accident, and for property damages not less than $25,000 for any one (1) accident, and a $75,000 aggregate.

12-208. **Time limits.** Each application for a permit shall state the length of time it is estimated will elapse from the commencement of the work until the restoration of the surface of the ground or pavement, or until the refill is made ready for the pavement to be put on by the town if the town restores such surface pavement. It shall be unlawful to fail to comply with this time limitation unless permission for an extension of time is granted by the recorder.

12-209. **Supervision.** The recorder or his designated representative shall from time to time inspect all excavations and tunnels being made in or under any public street, alley, or other public place in the town and see to the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter. Notice shall be given to him at least ten (10) hours before the work of refilling any such excavation or tunnel commences.
12-210. **Driveways.** No one shall build or maintain a driveway that intersects with a public street, alley or other public place without first obtaining a permit from the recorder. Such a permit will not be issued when the contemplated driveway is to be so located as to create an unreasonable hazard to pedestrian and/or vehicular traffic. No driveway approach shall be permitted to encompass any municipal or other public facilities. Under the permit provided for herein the applicant may be authorized to relocate any such utility upon application to the subject utility provider and upon making suitable arrangements for financial reimbursements to said provider. No driveway approach shall be permitted within twenty-five (25) feet of the right-of-way of the intersecting street, and no more than one driveway approach shall be permitted per lot when the lot is seventy-five (75) feet or less in width fronting on any street. All new constructions or replacement of driveway drainage culverts shall have minimum dimensions of fifteen (15) inch diameter for metal corrugated pipe or twelve (12) inches in diameter for concrete pipe, and twenty (20) feet in length, and installation shall be conducted with the supervision of the recorder or his designated representative. Larger dimensions shall be required, when the recorder has determined that the minimum dimensions will impede adequate drainage along the road right-of-way.
CHAPTER 3

UNIFORM PROPERTY NUMBERING SYSTEM

SECTION
12-301. Uniform numbering system established.
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12-303. Administration.

12-301. Uniform numbering system established. A uniform system of numbering properties and principal buildings, as shown on the maps identified by the title "Property Numbering System" which are filed in the office of the City Recorder, are hereby adopted for use in the Town of Maury City. These maps and all explanatory matter thereon, are hereby adopted and made apart of this chapter.

12-302. Assignment of number. (1) All properties or parcels of land within the corporate limits of Maury City shall hereafter be identified by reference to the uniform numbering system adopted herein, and shall conform to the system herein adopted within six (6) months from the date of passage of this chapter.

(2) A separate number shall generally be assigned for each forty (40) feet, except for the Central Business District which will be assigned a separate number for each twenty (20) feet of frontage.

(3) Whenever possible, each principal building shall bear the number assigned to the frontage on which the front entrance is located. In case a principal building is occupied by more than one business or dwelling unit, only one number will be assigned and each separate unit will carry a letter designation, such as A, B, C, in addition to the number assigned to the principal building.

(4) In cases of group housing projects with private streets, only one number will be assigned to the drive or court. The number assigned to the drive will then become the street address of all units facing the drive or court. Separate units will carry the street number as well as the apartment number.

(5) Numerals indicating the official number of each principal building shall be posted in a manner as to be visible from the street on which the property is located.

(6) Whenever any house, building, or structure shall be erected or located in the Town of Maury City after the establishment of the uniform numbering system and after the house, building, or structure is complete, it shall be the duty of the owner to procure the correct number and to immediately
fasten the said number or numbers so assigned upon said building as provided by this chapter.

12-303. **Administration.** (1) The city recorder shall be responsible for maintaining the number system.

(2) The city recorder shall keep a record of all numbers assigned under this chapter.

(3) The city recorder shall assign new numbers and issue additional numerals in accord with the official numbering system whenever a new structure, building or house is complete; a property has been subdivided; a new front entrance opened; or undue hardship has been worked on any property owner.
TITLE 13

UTILITIES AND SERVICES

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CHAPTER 1

WATER

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13-125. Restricted use of water.
13-126. Interruption of service.

13-101. Application and scope. The provisions of this chapter are a part of all contracts for receiving water service from the town and shall apply whether the service is based upon contract, agreement, signed application, or otherwise.

13-102. Definitions. (1) "Customer" means any person, firm, or corporation who receives water service from the town under either an express or implied contract.
(2) "Household" means any two (2) or more persons living together as a family group.
(3) "Service line" shall consist of the pipe line extending from any water main of the town to private property. Where a meter and meter box are located on private property, the service line shall be construed to include the pipe line extending from the municipality's water main to and including the meter and meter box.
(4) "Discount date" shall mean the date ten (10) days after the date of a bill, except when some other date is provided by contract. The discount date is the last date upon which water bills can be paid at net rates.
(5) "Dwelling" means any single structure, with auxiliary buildings, occupied by one or more persons or households for residential purposes.
(6) "Premise" means any structure or group of structures operated as a single business or enterprise, provided, however, the term "premise" shall not include more than one (1) dwelling.

13-103. Obtaining service. A formal application for either original or additional service must be made and be approved by the town before connection or meter installation orders will be issued and work performed.

13-104. Application and contract for service. Each prospective customer desiring water service will be required to sign a standard form of contract and pay a service deposit before service is supplied. If, for any reason, a customer, after signing a contract for service, does not take such service by reason of not occupying the premises or otherwise, he shall reimburse the town for the expense incurred by reason of its endeavor to furnish said service.
The receipt of a prospective customer's application for service, regardless of whether or not accompanied by a deposit, shall not obligate the town to render the service applied for. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and general practice, the liability of the town to the applicant shall be limited to the return of any deposit made by such applicant.

13-105. Service charges for temporary service. Customers requiring temporary service shall pay all costs for connection and disconnection incidental to the supplying and removing of service in addition to the regular charge for water service.

13-106. Connection charges. Service lines will be laid by the town from its mains to the property line at the expense of the applicant for service. The location of such lines will be determined by the town.

Before a new water service line will be laid by the town, the applicant shall make a deposit equal to the estimated cost of the installation.

This deposit shall be used to pay the cost of laying such new service line and appurtenant equipment. If such cost exceeds the amount of the deposit, the applicant shall pay to the town the amount of such excess cost when billed therefor. If such cost is less than the amount of the deposit, the amount by which the deposit exceeds such cost shall be refunded to the applicant.

When a service line is completed, the town shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of such service line from the main to and including the meter and meter box, and such portion of the service line shall belong to the town. The remaining portion of the service line beyond the meter box shall belong to, and be the responsibility of, the customer.

13-107. Water main extensions. Persons desiring water main extensions must pay all of the cost of making such extensions.

For water main extensions cement-lined cast iron pipe, class 150 American Water Works Association Standard (or other construction approved by the board of mayor and aldermen), not less than six (6) inches in diameter shall be used to the dead end of any line and to form loops or continuous lines, so that fire hydrants may be placed on such lines at locations no farther than 1,000 feet from the most distant part of any dwelling structure and no farther than 600 feet from the most distant part of any commercial, industrial, or public building, such measurements to be based on road or street distances. Cement-lined cast iron pipe (or other construction approved by the board of mayor and aldermen) two (2) inches in diameter, to supply dwellings only, may be used to supplement such lines.
All such extensions shall be installed either by municipal forces or by other forces working directly under the supervision of the town in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by an engineer registered with the State of Tennessee.

Upon completion of such extensions and their approval by the town, such water mains shall become the property of the town. The persons paying the cost of constructing such mains shall execute any written instruments requested by the town to provide evidence of the town’s title to such mains. In consideration of such mains being transferred to it, the town shall incorporate said mains as an integral part of the municipal water system and shall furnish water service therefrom in accordance with these rules and regulations, subject always to such limitations as may exist because of the size and elevation of said mains.

13-108. Variances from and effect of preceding section as to extensions. Whenever the board of mayor and aldermen is of the opinion that it is to the best interest of the town and its inhabitants to construct a water main extension without requiring strict compliance with the preceding section, such extension may be constructed upon such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the board of mayor and aldermen.

The authority to make water main extensions under the preceding section is permissive only and nothing contained therein shall be construed as requiring the town to make such extensions or to furnish service to any person or persons.

13-109. Meters. All meters shall be installed, tested, repaired, and removed only by the town.

No one shall do anything which will in any way interfere with or prevent the operation of a meter. No one shall tamper with or work on a water meter without the written permission of the town. No one shall install any pipe or other device which will cause water to pass through or around a meter without the passage of such water being registered fully by the meter.

13-110. Schedule of rates. All water service shall be furnished under such rate schedules as the town may from time to time adopt by appropriate motion or resolution.¹

13-111. Multiple services through a single meter. No customer shall supply water service to more than one dwelling or premise from a single service line and meter without first obtaining the written permission of the town.

¹Administrative ordinances, resolutions and motions are of record in the office of the town recorder.
Where the town allows more than one dwelling or premise to be served through a single service line and meter, the amount of water used by all the dwellings and premises served through a single service line and meter shall be allocated to each separate dwelling or premise served. The water charges for each such dwelling or premise thus served shall be computed just as if each such dwelling or premise had received through a separately metered service the amount of water so allocated to it, such computation to be made at the town’s applicable water rates schedule, including the provisions as to minimum to minimum bills. The separate charges for each dwelling or premise served through a single service line and meter shall then be added together, and the sum thereof shall be billed to the customer in whose name the service is supplied.

13-112. Billing. Bills for residential water service will be rendered monthly.

Bills for commercial and industrial service may be rendered weekly, semimonthly, or monthly, at the option of the town.

Water bills must be paid on or before the discount date shown thereon to obtain the net rate, otherwise the gross rate shall apply. Failure to receive a bill will not release a customer from payment obligation, nor extend the discount date.

In the event a bill is not paid on or before five (5) days after the discount date, a written notice shall be mailed to, or placed on the premises of, the customer. The notice shall advise the customer that his service may be discontinued without further notice if the bill is not paid on or before ten (10) days after the discount date and that he has a right to a hearing if he desires before the service is discontinued. The town shall not be liable for any damages resulting from discontinuing service under the provisions of this section, even though payment of the bill is made at any time on the day that service is actually discontinued.

Should the final date of payment of bill at the net rate fall on Sunday or a holiday, the business day next following the final date will be the last day to obtain the net rate. A net remittance received by mail after the time limit for payment at the net rate will be accepted by the town if the envelope is date-stamped on or before the final date for payment of the net amount.

If a meter fails to register properly, or if a meter is removed to be tested or repaired, or if water is received other than through a meter, the town reserves the right to render an estimated bill based on the best information available.
13-113. Discontinuance or refusal of service. The town shall have the right to discontinue water service or to refuse to connect service for a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any of the following:

(1) These rules and regulations, including the nonpayment of water bills.

(2) The customer's application for service.

(3) The customer's contract for service.

Such right to discontinue service shall apply to all service received through a single connection or service, even though more than one (1) customer or tenant is furnished service therefrom, and even though the delinquency or violation is limited to only one such customer or tenant.

Discontinuance of service by the town for any cause stated in these rules and regulations shall not release the customer from liability for service already received or from liability for payments that thereafter become due under other provisions of the customer's contract.

No service shall be discontinued unless the customer is given reasonable notice in advance of such impending action and the reason therefor. The customer shall also be notified of his right to a hearing prior to such disconnection if he disputes the reason therefor and requests such hearing by the date specified in the notice. When a hearing is requested, the customer shall have the right to have a representative at such hearing and shall be entitled to testify and to present witnesses on his behalf. Also, when such hearing has been requested, the customer's service shall not be terminated until a final decision is reached by the hearing officer and the customer is notified of that decision.

13-114. Re-connection charge. Whenever service has been discontinued as provided for above, a re-connection charge of ten dollars ($10.00) shall be collected by the town before service is restored. (as amended by ord. No. 5, sec. 1)

13-115. Termination of service by customer. Customers who have fulfilled their contract terms and wish to discontinue service must give at least three (3) days written notice to that effect unless the contract specifies otherwise. Notice to discontinue service prior to the expiration of a contract term will not relieve the customer from any minimum or guaranteed payment under such contract or applicable rate schedule.

When service is being furnished to an occupant of premises under a contract not in the occupant's name, the town reserves the right to impose the following conditions on the right of the customer to discontinue service under such a contract:
(1) Written notice of the customer's desire for such service to be discontinued may be required; and the town shall have the right to continue such service for a period of not to exceed ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice, during which time the customer shall be responsible for all charges for such service. If the town should continue service after such ten (10) day period subsequent to the receipt of the customer's written notice to discontinue service, the customer shall not be responsible for charges for any service furnished after the expiration of such ten (10) day period.

(2) During such ten (10) day period, or thereafter, the occupant of premises to which service has been ordered discontinued by a customer other than such occupant, may be allowed by the town to enter into a contract for service in the occupant’s own name upon the occupant’s complying with these rules and regulations with respect to a new application for service.

13-116. Access to customers' premises. The town's identified representatives and employees shall be granted access to all customers' premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of reading meters, for testing, inspecting, repairing, removing, and replacing all equipment belonging to the municipality, and for inspecting customers' plumbing and premises generally in order to secure compliance with these rules and regulations.

13-117. Inspections. The town shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to inspect any installation or plumbing system before water service is furnished or at any later time. The town reserves the right to refuse service or to discontinue service to any premises not meeting standards fixed by municipal ordinances regulating building and plumbing, or not in accordance with any special contract, these rules and regulations, or other requirements of the town.

Any failure to inspect or reject a customer's installation or plumbing system shall not render the town liable or responsible for any loss or damage which might have been avoided had such inspection or rejection been made.

13-118. Customer's responsibility for system's property. Except as herein elsewhere expressly provided, all meters, service connections, and other equipment furnished by or for the town shall be and remain the property of the town. Each customer shall provide space for and exercise proper care to protect the property of the town on his premises. In the event of loss or damage to such property arising from the neglect of a customer to care for it properly, the cost of necessary repairs or replacements shall be paid by the customer.

13-119. Customer's responsibility for violations. Where the town furnishes water service to a customer, such customer shall be responsible for all
violations of these rules and regulations which occur on the premises so served. Personal participation by the customer in any such violations shall not be necessary to impose such personal responsibility on him.

13-120. **Supply and resale of water.** All water shall be supplied within the town exclusively by the town, and no customer shall, directly or indirectly, sell, sublet, assign, or otherwise dispose of the water or any part thereof except with written permission from the town.

13-121. **Unauthorized use of or interference with water supply.** No person shall turn on or turn off any of the town's stop cocks, valves, hydrants, spigots, or fire plugs without permission or authority from the town.

13-122. **Limited use of unmetered private fire line.** Where a private fire line is not metered, no water shall be used from such line or from any fire hydrant thereon, except to fight fire or except when being inspected in the presence of an authorized agent of the town.

All private fire hydrants shall be sealed by the town and shall be inspected at regular intervals to see that they are in proper condition and that no water is being used therefrom in violation of these rules and regulations. When the seal is broken on account of fire, or for any other reason, the customer taking such service shall immediately give the town a written notice of such occurrence.

13-123. **Damages to property due to water pressure.** The town shall not be liable to any customer for damages caused to his plumbing or property by high pressure, low pressure, or fluctuations in pressure in the town's water mains.

13-124. **Liability for cutoff failures.** The town's liability shall be limited to the forfeiture of the right to charge a customer for water that is not used but is received from a service line under any of the following circumstances:

1. After receipt of at least ten (10) days' written notice to cut off a water service, the town has failed to cut off such service.
2. The town has attempted to cut off a service but such service has not been completely cut off.
3. The town has completely cut off a service but subsequently the cutoff develops a leak or is turned on again so that water enters the customer's pipes from the city's main.

Except to the extent stated above, the town shall not be liable for any loss or damage resulting from cutoff failures. If a customer wishes to avoid possible damage for cutoff failures, the customer shall rely exclusively on privately
owned cutoffs and not on the town's cutoff. Also, the customer (and not the town) shall be responsible for seeing that his plumbing is properly drained and is kept properly drained, after his water service has been cut off.

13-125. **Restricted use of water.** In times of emergencies or in times of water shortage, the town reserves the right to restrict the purposes for which water may be used by a customer and the amount of water which a customer may use.

13-126. **Interruption of service.** The town will endeavor to furnish continuous water service, but does not guarantee to the customer any fixed pressure or continuous service. The town shall not be liable for any damages for any interruption of service whatsoever.

In connection with the operation, maintenance, repair, and extension of the municipal water system, the water supply may be shut off without notice when necessary or desirable, and each customer must be prepared for such emergencies. The town shall not be liable for any damages from such interruption of service or for damages from the resumption of service without notice after any such interruption.
CHAPTER 2

ELECTRICITY

SECTION 13-201. To be furnished under franchise.

13-201. To be furnished under franchise. Electricity shall be furnished for the town and its inhabitants under such franchise as the board of mayor and aldermen shall grant. The rights, powers, duties, and obligations of the town, its inhabitants, and the grantee of the franchise shall be clearly stated in the written franchise agreement which shall be binding on all parties concerned.

1Electricity is presently furnished to the Town of Maury City by Gibson County Electric under agreements that are of record in the office of the town recorder.
CHAPTER 3

GAS

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13-317. Inspections.
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13-321. Unauthorized use of or interference with gas supply.
13-322. Damages to property due to gas pressure.
13-325. Interruption of service.

13-301. Board of mayor and aldermen to govern gas system. Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, section 7-82-202, the board of mayor and alderman of the Town of Maury City shall be the governing body of the gas department.

13-302. Application and scope. The provisions of this chapter are a part of all contracts for receiving gas service from the town and shall apply whether the service is based upon contract, agreement, signed application, or otherwise.
13-303. **Definitions.** (1) Customer means any person, firm, or corporation who receives gas service from the town under either an express or implied contract.

(2) Service line shall consist of the pipe line extending from any gas main of the town to private property. Where a meter and meter box are located on private property, the service line shall be construed to include the pipe line extending from the town's gas main to and including the meter and meter box.

(3) Dwelling means any single structure, with auxiliary buildings, occupied by one or more persons or households for residential purposes.

(4) Premise means any structure or group of structures operated as a single business or enterprise, provided, however, the term "premise" shall not include more than one (1) dwelling.

13-304. **Obtaining service.** A formal application for either original or additional service must be made and be approved by the town before connection or meter installation orders will be issued and work performed.

13-305. **Application and contract for service.** Each prospective customer desiring gas service will be required to sign a standard form of contract and pay a service deposit before service is supplied. This deposit shall be separate from, and in addition to, the deposit required for water service in section 13-104. If, for any reason, a customer, after signing a contract for service, does not take such service by reason of not occupying the premises or otherwise, he shall reimburse the town for the expense incurred by reason of its endeavor to furnish said service.

The receipt of a prospective customer's application for service, regardless of whether or not accompanied by a deposit, shall not obligate the town to render the service applied for. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and general practice, the liability of the town to the applicant shall be limited to the return of any deposit made by such applicant.

13-306. **Service charges for temporary service.** Customers requiring temporary service shall pay all costs for connection and disconnection incidental to the supplying and removing of service in addition to the regular charge for gas service.

13-307. **Connection charges.** Service lines will be laid by the town from its mains to the property line at the expense of the applicant for service. The location of such lines will be determined by the town.

Before a new gas service line will be laid by the town, the applicant shall make a connection deposit equal to the estimated cost of the installation. This
deposit shall be separate from, and in addition to, any connection charge required for water lines under section 13-106.

This deposit shall be used to pay the cost of laying such new service line and appurtenant equipment. If such cost exceeds the amount of the deposit, the applicant shall pay to the town the amount of such excess cost when billed therefor. If such cost is less than the deposit the amount of such excess deposit shall be refunded to the customer.

When a service line is completed, the town shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of such service line from the main to and including the meter and meter box, and such portion of the service line shall belong to the town. The remaining portion of the service line beyond the meter box shall belong to and be the responsibility of the customer.

13-308. Gas main extensions. Persons desiring gas main extensions must pay all of the cost of making such extensions.

All such extensions shall be installed either by municipal forces or by other forces working directly under the supervision of the town in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by an engineer registered with the State of Tennessee.

Upon completion of such extensions and their approval by the town, such gas mains shall become the property of the town. The persons paying the cost of constructing such mains shall execute any written instruments requested by the town to provide evidence of the town's title to such mains. In consideration of such mains being transferred to it, the town shall incorporate said mains as an integral part of the municipal gas system and shall furnish gas service therefrom in accordance with these rules and regulations.

13-309. Variances from and effect of preceding section as to extensions. Whenever the board of mayor and aldermen is of the opinion that it is to the best interest of the town and its inhabitants to construct a gas main extension without requiring strict compliance with the preceding section, such extension may be constructed upon such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the board of mayor and aldermen.

The authority to make gas main extensions under the preceding section is permissive only and nothing contained therein shall be construed as requiring the town to make such extensions or to furnish service to any person or persons.

13-310. Meters. All meters shall be installed, tested, repaired, and removed only by the town.

No one shall do anything which will in any way interfere with or prevent the operation of a meter. No one shall tamper with or work on a gas meter without the written permission of the town. No one shall install any pipe or
other device which will cause gas to pass through or around a meter without the passage of such gas being registered fully by the meter.

13-311. **Multiple services through a single meter.** No customer shall supply gas service to more than one dwelling or premise from a single service line and meter without first obtaining the written permission of the town.

Where the town allows more than one dwelling or premise to be served through a single service line and meter, the amount of gas used by all the dwellings and premises served through a single service line and meter shall be allocated to each separate dwelling or premise served. The gas and charges for each such dwelling or premise thus served shall be computed just as if each such dwelling or premise had received through a separately metered service the amount of gas so allocated to it, such computation to be made at the town’s applicable gas schedule, including the provisions as to minimum bills. The separate charges for each dwelling or premise served through a single service line and meter shall then be added together, and the sum thereof shall be billed to the customer in whose name the service is supplied.

13-312. **Billing.** Bills for gas service will be rendered monthly. Gas bills must be paid on or before the discount date shown thereon to obtain the net rate, otherwise, the gross rate shall apply. Failure to receive a bill will not release a customer from payment obligation, nor extend the discount date.

In the event a bill is not paid on or before five (5) days after the discount date, a written notice shall be mailed or placed in the premises of the customer. The notice shall advise the customer that his service may be discontinued without further notice if the bill is not paid on or before ten (10) days after the discount date and shall give him notice that he has a right to a hearing if he desires before service is discontinued. The town shall not be liable for any damages resulting from discontinuing service under the provisions of this section, even though payment of the bill is made at any time on the day that service is actually discontinued.

Should the final date of payment of bill at the net rate fall on Sunday or a holiday, the business day next following the final date will be the last day to obtain the net rate. A net remittance received by mail after the time limit for payment at the net rate will be accepted by the town if the envelope is date-stamped on or before the final date for payment of the net amount.

If a meter fails to register properly, or if a meter is removed to be tested or repaired, or if gas is received other than through a meter, the town reserves the right to render an estimated bill based on the best information available.
13-313. **Termination or refusal of service.**

1. (1) **Basis of termination or refusal.** The town shall have the right to discontinue gas service or to refuse to connect service for a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any of the following:
   
   (1) These rules and regulations, including the nonpayment of gas bills.
   
   (2) The customer's application for service.
   
   (3) The customer's contract for service.

   Such right to discontinue service shall apply to all gas service received through a single connection or services, even though more than one (1) customer or tenant is furnished service therefrom, and even though the delinquency or violation is limited to only one such customer or tenant.

   Discontinuance of service by the town for any cause stated in these rules and regulations shall not release the customer from liability for service already received or from liability for payments that thereafter become due under other provisions of the customer's contract.

   No service shall be discontinued unless the customer is given reasonable notice in advance of such impending action and the reason therefor. The customer shall also be notified of his right to a hearing prior to such disconnection if he disputes the reason therefor and requests such hearing by the date specified in the notice. When a hearing is requested, the customer shall have the right to have a representative at such hearing and shall be entitled to testify and to present witnesses on his behalf. Also, when such hearing has been requested, the customer's service shall not be terminated until a final decision is reached by the hearing officer and the customer is notified of that decision.

13-314. **Re-connection charge.** Whenever service has been discontinued as provided for above, a reconnection charge of ten dollars ($10.00) shall be collected by the town before service is restored. (as amended by ord. No. 5, sec. 2)

13-315. **Termination of service by customer.** Customers who have fulfilled their contract terms and wish to discontinue service must give at least

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1At the board of mayor and aldermen's meeting of February 28, 1994, a motion was made to leave gas on at residents until the temperature is above 32 degrees for four hours. This motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

2At the Maury City Mayor and Board of Aldermen's regular session on August 29, 1994, a motion was made to raise the gas reconnection fee effective 1-1-95 to $25.00 and was seconded. This motion carried unanimously.
three (3) days written notice to that effect unless the contract specifies otherwise. Notice to discontinue service prior to the expiration of a contract term will not relieve the customer from any minimum or guaranteed payment under such contract or applicable rate schedule.

When service is being furnished to an occupant of premises under a contract not in the occupant's name, the town reserves the right to impose the following conditions on the right of the customer to discontinue service under such a contract:

(1) Written notice of the customer's desire for such service to be discontinued may be required; and the town shall have the right to continue such service for a period of not to exceed ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice, during which time the customer shall be responsible for all charges for such service. If the town should continue service after such ten (10) day period subsequent to the receipt of the customer's written notice to discontinue service, the customer shall not be responsible for charges for any service furnished after the expiration of such ten (10) day period.
(2) During such ten (10) day period, or thereafter, the occupant of premises to which service has been ordered discontinued by a customer other than such occupant, may be allowed by the town to enter into a contract for service in the occupant's own name upon the occupant's complying with these rules and regulations with respect to a new application for service.

13-316. **Access to customers' premises.** The town's identified representatives and employees shall be granted access to all customers' premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of reading meters, for testing, inspecting, repairing, removing, and replacing all equipment belonging to the town, and for inspecting customers' plumbing and premises generally in order to secure compliance with these rules and regulations.

13-317. **Inspections.** The town shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to inspect any installation or plumbing system before gas service is furnished or at any later time. The town reserves the right to refuse service or to discontinue service to any premises not meeting standards fixed by municipal ordinances regulating building and plumbing, or not in accordance with any special contract, these rules and regulations, or other requirements of the town.

Any failure to inspect or reject a customer's installation or plumbing system shall not render the town liable or responsible for any loss or damage which might have been avoided had such inspection or rejection been made.

13-318. **Customer's responsibility for system's property.** Except as herein elsewhere expressly provided, all meters, service connections, and other equipment furnished by or for the town shall be and remain the property of the town. Each customer shall provide space for and exercise proper care to protect the property of the town on his premises. In the event of loss or damage to such property arising from the neglect of a customer to care for it properly, the cost of necessary repairs or replacements shall be paid by the customer.

13-319. **Customer's responsibility for violations.** Where the town furnishes gas service to a customer, such customer shall be responsible for all violations of these rules and regulations which occur on the premises so served. Personal participation by the customer in any such violations shall not be necessary to impose such personal responsibility on him.

13-320. **Supply and resale of gas.** All gas shall be supplied within the town exclusively by the town, and no customer shall, directly or indirectly, sell, sub-let, assign, or otherwise dispose of the gas or any part thereof except with written permission from the town.
13-321. Unauthorized use of or interference with gas supply. No person shall turn on or turn off any of the town’s gas valves, or controls without permission or authority from the town.

13-322. Damages to property due to gas pressure. The town shall not be liable to any customer for damages caused to his gas plumbing or property by high pressure, low pressure, or fluctuations in pressure in the town’s gas mains.

13-323. Liability for cutoff failures. The town’s liability shall be limited to the forfeiture of the right to charge a customer for gas that is not used but is received from a service line under any of the following circumstances:

(1) After receipt of at least ten (10) days' written notice to cut off a gas service, the town has failed to cut off such service.

(2) The town has attempted to cut off a service but such service has not been completely cut off.

(3) The town has completely cut off a service but subsequently the cutoff develops a leak or is turned on again so that gas enters the customer's pipes from the city's main.

Except to the extent stated above, the town shall not be liable for any loss or damage resulting from cutoff failures. If a customer wishes to avoid possible damage for cutoff failures, the customer shall rely exclusively on privately owned cutoffs and not on the town's cutoff.

13-324. Restricted use of gas. In times of emergencies or in times of gas shortage, the town reserves the right to restrict the purposes for which gas may be used by a customer and the amount of gas which a customer may use.

13-325. Interruption of service. The town will endeavor to furnish continuous gas service, but does not guarantee to the customer any fixed pressure or continuous service. The town shall not be liable for any damages for any interruption of service whatsoever.

In connection with the operation, maintenance, repair, and extension of the municipal gas system, the gas supply may be shut off without notice when necessary or desirable, and each customer must be prepared for such emergencies. The town shall not be liable for any damages from such interruption of service or for damages from the resumption of service without notice after any such interruption.
13-326. **Schedule of rates.**¹ All gas service shall be furnished under such rate schedules as the town may from time to time adopt by appropriate motion or resolution.

¹Administrative ordinances, resolutions and motions are of record in the office of the town recorder.
CHAPTER 4

CABLE TELEVISION

SECTION
13-401. To be furnished under franchise.

13-401. To be furnished under franchise. Cable television shall be furnished to the Town of Maury City and its inhabitants under franchise granted to Cablevision Industries of Tennessee, L.P., by the board of mayor and aldermen of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee. The rights, power, duties and obligations of the Town of Maury City and its inhabitants are clearly stated in the franchise agreement executed by, and which shall be binding upon, the parties concerned.¹

¹For complete details relating to the cable television franchise agreement, see ordinance dated April 26, 1976 and ordinance #14, dated April 23, 1991, in the office of the town recorder.
CHAPTER 5

USER CHARGE SYSTEM FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT

FACILITIES

SECTION
13-501. Annual review and notification.
13-503. User charge system.

13-501. **Annual review and notification.** The town will review annually the wastewater contribution of users, user classes, the total cost of operation and maintenance of the treatment works, and collection system, and its approved user charge system. As necessary, the town will revise the charges for users or user classes to accomplish the following:

1. Maintain the proportionate distribution of operation and maintenance costs and minor replacements among users and user classes.
2. Generate sufficient revenue to pay operation and maintenance costs necessary for the proper operation of the collection system and the treatment works.
3. Apply excess revenues collected, if any, from a class of users to the cost of operation and, maintenance attributable to that class for the next year and adjust the rate accordingly.

As necessary and as applicable, each user will be notified annually in conjunction with a regular bill of the rate and that portion of the user charge that is attributable to wastewater collection system and treatment services. (as added by ord. #12, May 1990)

13-502. **Charges for operation and maintenance.** The cost of operation and maintenance for all flows, such as extraneous flows, infiltration/inflow (I/I), or unmetered water shall be distributed among all users based on the flow volume of the user. Flow volume of the user shall be determined by water meter records of usage unless the user elects to install at its own expense a sewer flow meter. The flow meter shall meet the Town's approval prior to installation of the meter.

Maintenance of such meter shall be the sole responsibility of the user. (as added by ord. #12, May 1990)

13-503. **User charge system.** (1) **Classification of users.** Users of the wastewater system shall be classified into two (2) general classes or categories depending upon the users contribution of wastewater loads; each class user being identified as follows:
(a) **Class I:** Those users whose average biochemical oxygen demand is two hundred fifty milligrams per liter (250 mg/l) by weight or less, and whose suspended solids discharge is two hundred fifty milligrams per liter (250 mg/l) by weight or less.

(b) **Class II:** Those users whose average biochemical oxygen demand exceeds two hundred fifty milligrams per liter concentration (250 mg/l) by weight and whose suspended solids exceeds two hundred fifty milligrams per liter concentration (250 mg/l).

(2) **Determination of costs.** The board of mayor and aldermen shall establish monthly rates and charges for the use of the wastewater system and for the services supplies by the wastewater system. Said charges shall be based upon the cost categories of administration costs, including billing and accounting costs; operation and maintenance costs of the wastewater collection and treatment system; and debt service costs.

(a) All users who fall under class I shall pay a single unit charge expressed as dollars per 1,000 gallons of water purchased ($/1,000 gallons) with the unit charge being determined in accordance with the following formula:

\[
C_i = \frac{T.S.C.}{V_t}
\]

Where;

\[C_i = \text{the class I total unit cost in $/1,000 gallons}\]

\[T.S.C. = \text{the total operation and maintenance, administration, and debt service determined by yearly budget projections.}\]

\[V_t = \text{the total volume of wastewater contribution from all users per year as determined from projections from one city fiscal year to the next.}\]

(b) All users who fall within the class II classification shall pay the same base unit charge per 1,000 gallons of water purchased as for the class I users and in addition shall pay a surcharge rate on the excessive amounts of biochemical oxygen demand and suspended solids in direct proportion to the actual discharge quantities.

(c) The volume of water purchased which is used in the calculation of sewer use charges may be adjusted by the superintendent if a user purchases a significant volume of water for a consumptive use and does not discharge it to the public sewers (i.e. filling swimming pools,
industrial heating, and humidifying equipment, etc.). The user shall be responsible for documenting the quality of waste discharge to the public sewer.

(d) When either or both the total suspended solids or biochemical oxygen demand quantities discharged into the treatment works is in excess of those described in section 13-503(1)(a), above, thus being classified as class II users, the following formula shall be used to compute the appropriate user charge:

\[ C_u = V_c V_u + B_c B_u + S_c S_u \]

Where:

- \( C_u \) = Total user charge per unit of time.
- \( V_c \) = Total cost for transportation and treatment of a unit of wastewater volume.
- \( V_u \) = Volume contribution per unit of time.
- \( B_c \) = Total cost for treatment of a unit of biochemical oxygen demand (BOD).
- \( B_u \) = Total BOD contribution for a user per unit of time.
- \( S_c \) = Total cost of treatment of a unit of suspended solids.
- \( S_u \) = Total suspended solids contribution from a user per unit of time.

(3) **Surcharge fees.** If it is determined by the city that the discharge of other loading parameters or wastewater substances are creating excessive operation and maintenance costs within the wastewater system, whether collection or treatment, then the monetary effect of such a parameter or parameters shall be borne by the discharge of such parameters in proportion to the amount of discharge.

(4) **Use of revenue from wastewater facilities.** Any revenue, derived from the sale of by-products of the treatment process, lease or sale of crops grown on land purchased or owned, used by and for the wastewater facilities, shall be used to offset the costs of operation and maintenance. These revenues shall be applied proportionately to all user charges. (as added by ord. #12, May 1990)
ORDINANCE NO. 4

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A CODIFICATION AND REVISION OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF MAURY CITY, TENNESSEE.

WHEREAS some of the ordinances of the town of Maury City are obsolete, and

WHEREAS some of the other ordinances of the town are inconsistent with each other or are otherwise inadequate, and

WHEREAS the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Maury City, Tennessee, has caused its ordinances of a general, continuing, and permanent application or of a penal nature to be codified and revised and the same are embodied in a code of ordinances known as the "Maury City Municipal Code," now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MAURY CITY, TENNESSEE, THAT:

Section 1. Ordinances codified. The ordinances of the town of a general, continuing, and permanent application or of a penal nature, as codified and revised in the following "titles," namely "titles" 1 to 13, both inclusive, are ordained and adopted as the "Maury City Municipal Code," hereinafter referred to as the "Municipal Code."

Section 2. Ordinances repealed. All ordinances of a general, continuing, and permanent application or of a penal nature not contained in the Municipal Code are hereby repealed from and after the effective date of said code, except as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. Ordinances saved from repeal. The repeal provided for in the preceding section of this ordinance shall not affect: Any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any contract or right established or accruing before the effective date of the Municipal Code; any ordinance or resolution promising or requiring the payment of money by or to the town or authorizing the issuance of any bonds or other evidence of said town's indebtedness; any contract or obligation assumed by or in favor of said town; any administrative ordinances or resolutions not in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of such code; the portion of any ordinance not in conflict with such code which regulates speed, direction of travel, passing, stopping, yielding, standing, or parking on any specifically named public street or way; any right or franchise granted by the town; any ordinance dedicating,
naming, establishing, locating, relocating, opening, paving, widening, vacating, etc., any street or public way; any ordinance establishing and prescribing the grade of any street; any ordinance providing for local improvements and special assessments therefor; any ordinance dedicating or accepting any plat or subdivision; any prosecution, suit, or other proceeding pending or any judgment rendered on or prior to the effective date of said code; any ordinance annexing territory to the town.

Section 4. Continuation of existing provisions. Insofar as the provisions of the Municipal Code are the same as those of ordinances existing and in force on its effective date, said provisions shall be considered to be continuations thereof and not as new enactments.

Section 5. Penalty clause. Wherever in the Municipal Code, including the codes and ordinances adopted by reference, any act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or wherever in the Municipal Code the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, the violation of any such provision of the Municipal Code shall be punishable by a penalty of not more than fifty dollars ($50.00) and costs for each separate violation; provided, however, that the imposition of a penalty under the provisions of this section shall not prevent the revocation of any permit or license or the taking of other punitive or remedial action where called for or permitted under the provisions of the Municipal Code or other applicable law. When any person is fined for violating any provision of the Municipal Code and such person defaults on payment of such penalty, he may be required to perform hard labor, within or without the workhouse, to the extent that his physical condition shall permit, until such penalty is discharged by payment, or until such person, being credited with such sum as may be prescribed for each day's hard labor, has fully discharged said penalty.¹

Each day any violation of the Municipal Code continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 6. Code as evidence. Any printed copy of the Municipal Code certified under the signature of the recorder shall be held to be a true and correct copy of such codification and may be read in evidence in any court without further proof of the provisions contained therein.

Section 7. Severability clause. Each section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, and clause of the Municipal Code, including the codes and ordinances

¹For authority to allow deferred payment of fines, or payment by installments, see the Tennessee Code Annotated, sections 40-24-101 et seq.
adopted by reference, is hereby declared to be separable and severable. The invalidity of any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, or clause in the Municipal Code shall not affect the validity of any other portion of said code, and only any portion declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be deleted therefrom.

Section 8. Reproduction and amendment of code. The Municipal Code shall be reproduced in loose-leaf form. The governing body, by motion or resolution, shall fix, and change from time to time as considered necessary, the prices to be charged for copies of the Municipal Code and revisions thereto. After adoption of the Municipal Code, each ordinance affecting the code shall be adopted as amending, adding, or deleting, by numbers, specific chapters or sections of said code. Periodically thereafter all affected pages of the Municipal Code shall be revised to reflect such amended, added, or deleted material and shall be distributed to town officers and employees having copies of said code and to other persons who have requested and paid for current revisions. Notes shall be inserted at the end of amended or new sections, referring to the numbers of ordinances making the amendments or adding the new provisions, and such references shall be cumulative if a section is amended more than once in order that the current copy of the Municipal Code will contain references to all ordinances responsible for current provisions. One copy of the Municipal Code as originally adopted and one copy of each amending ordinance thereafter adopted shall be furnished to the Municipal Technical Advisory Service immediately upon final passage and adoption.

Section 9. Construction of conflicting provisions. Where any provision of the Municipal Code is in conflict with any other provision in said code, the provision which establishes the higher standard for the promotion and protection of the public health, safety, and welfare shall prevail.

Section 10. Code available for public use. A copy of the Municipal Code shall be kept available in the recorder's office for public use and inspection at all reasonable times.
Section 11. Date of effect. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its final passage, the public welfare requiring it, and the Municipal Code, including all the codes and ordinances therein adopted by reference, shall be effective on and after that date.

Passed 1st reading __________ 4-29-, 1985.

[Signature]
Mayor

[Signature]
Recorder